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SEABORNE TRADE OF BRITAIN IS MAINTAINED: SUCCESSFUL WORKING OF THE CONVOY SYSTEM

King Is 44 Today



HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE VI, second son of the late King George V and Queen Mary, will celebrate his 44th birthday today. Born on December 14, 1895, His Majesty, who was formerly the Duke of York, Earl of Inverness and Baron Killarney, K.G., P.C., K.T., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., D.C.L., succeeded King Edward VIII (now H.R.H. the Duke of Windsor) to the Throne as King George VI on December 11, 1936. His Majesty returned to London a few days ago after a visit to the British Expeditionary Force in France.

CHAMBERLAIN "SPIES STRANGERS" IN HOUSE

LONDON, DEC. 13 (REUTER)—THE SECRET SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS BEGINS TODAY when, after the usual questions, the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain "spies strangers" and moves that they should withdraw.

ANGLO-FRENCH MONETARY AGREEMENT

ACCLAMATION IN PARIS PRESS

PARIS, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—The press, without exception, acclaims the Anglo-French monetary agreement as an event of enormous significance.

Yesterday marks a new historic stage in Anglo-French solidarity, observes L'Ordre. Hopes of driving a wedge between Britain and France must now appear to be quite hopeless, writes Petit Bleu.

The agreement can be regarded as a victory, remarks Petit Parisien.

U. S. WELCOME

Special to the H.K. Daily Press WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—The Anglo-French monetary agreement is unanimously welcomed here.

Financiers stress that the agreement will not affect British, French and American monetary accord and will not hamper American trade.

COLLIER SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—The English collier Marwick Head, 496 tons, was sunk by a mine off the east coast of England on Tuesday.

Six of the crew are missing and the remaining five, including the master, have been sent to hospital.

Fruitless Efforts Of German Propaganda

LONDON, DEC. 13 (BRITISH WIRELESS)—THE REGULAR AND SUCCESSFUL WORKING OF THE CONVOY SYSTEM, TO WHICH THE FIRST LORD OF THE ADMIRALTY RECENTLY REFERRED, CONTINUES TO ENSURE, WITH LITTLE DIMINUTION, THE MAINTENANCE OF BRITAIN'S SEABORNE TRADE.

THE SMOOTHNESS WITH WHICH THE SYSTEM OPERATES, UNDER THE PROTECTION OF POWERFUL UNITS OF THE BRITISH NAVY, IS SUCH THAT THE ACHIEVEMENT ATTRACTS BUT LITTLE ATTENTION IN THE DAILY PRESS. SHIPPING CIRCLES OF NEUTRAL COUNTRIES, HOWEVER, APPRECIATE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS UNSENSATIONAL EVIDENCE OF THE STRENGTH OF THE BRITISH NAVY.

That the safe arrival in their ships to Great Britain for the duration of the war when they can be sure of making larger profits than they have ever made in peace and have complete guarantee against loss.

The Minister of Shipping has already arranged the charter of several millions of tonnage and it seems probable that this healthy process will continue to mutual and general advantage.

Seventh Rail Disaster In 2 Months

BERLIN, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—It is officially stated that the seventh railway disaster occurred since October when two passenger trains collided in Western Germany. Seventeen were killed and 14 seriously injured.

This is the sixth serious accident in the past month and altogether 113 have been killed and fully 150 injured.

The accidents are thought to have been caused by the poor condition of the rolling stocks.

TRANSPORT PLAN

PARIS, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—The Minister of Merchant Marine, M. Riou, states that a complete Franco-British transport plan will be worked out by the authorities who will see that all needs are supplied in order of emergency.

CHINESE CONTINUE THEIR HARASSING ATTACK IN FIGHTING IN KWANGSI

KWEILIN, Dec. 13 (Central)—There has been no major development on the Nanning-Pinyang and Nanning-Wuming highways. Chinese activity has so far been confined to harassing attacks and destruction of Japanese communication lines.

Several attacks have been made against the Japanese north of Yamchow with success. About 500 Japanese were sandwiched in a Chinese pincer movement at Nama and Nahsiang last Friday, suffering some 200 casualties.

At Nachien at least 100 Japanese were killed in action and two heavy machine-guns and a number of rifles were seized by the Chinese.

In a clash at Niukang, on the south bank of the Yam River, the Chinese captured a quantity of Japanese equipment.

GUERRILLA ACTIVITY

The guerrillas and armed peasants are so actively destroying highways that Japanese units are finding it almost impossible to maintain contact. The Japanese south of the Wat (Yu) River have been commandeering Chinese labour to repair the roads without success.

Gen. Huang Han-chu, Chairman of the Kwangsi Provincial Government, who yesterday returned to Kweilin from a trip to the front ex-

FOUR-POINT PLAN

He said that four things should be done immediately to increase the power of resistance:

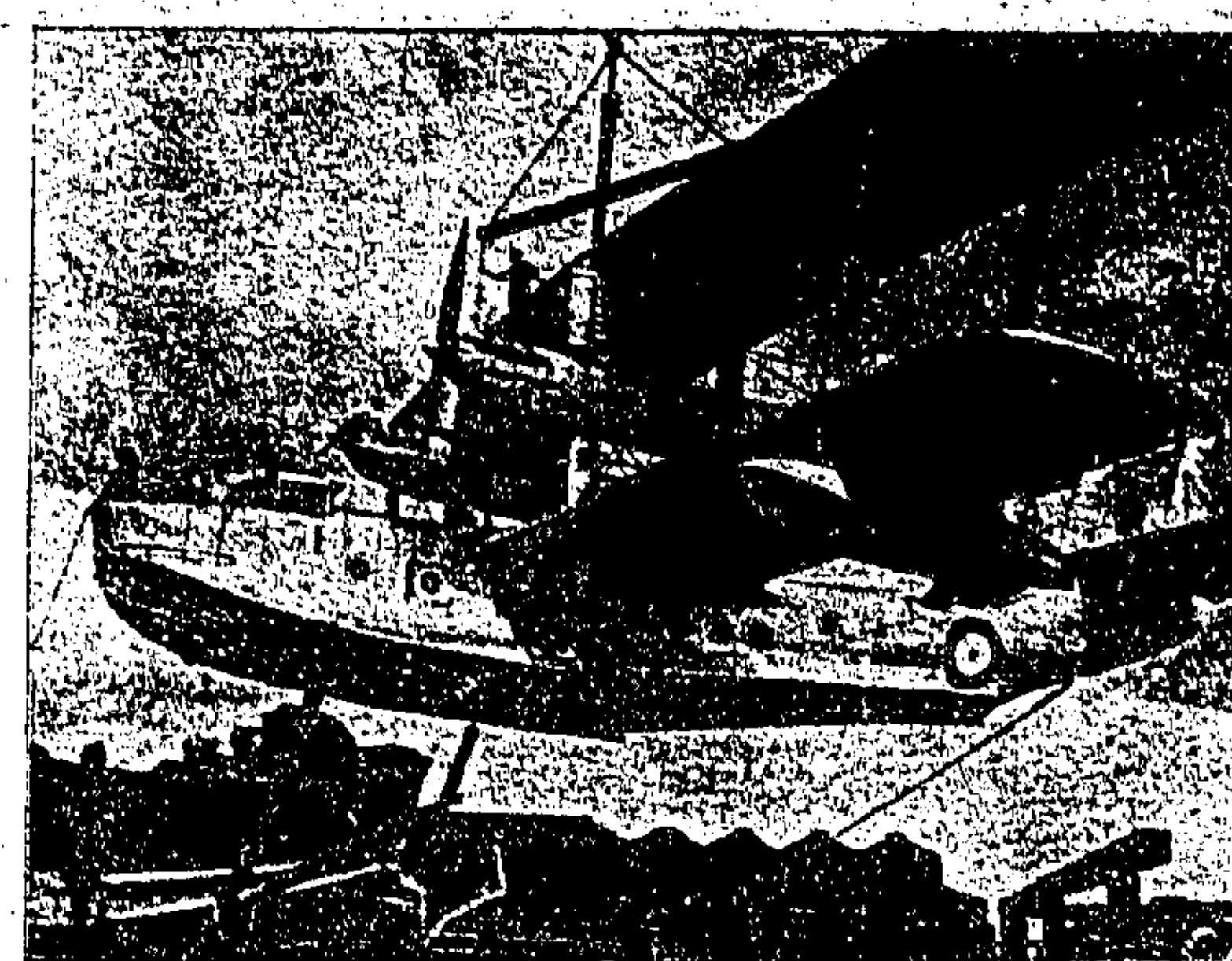
FIRSTLY, the mobilisation committees in various hsien should be enlarged to take in all capable men.

SECONDLY, stations where civilians may co-operate with troops in the transportation of military supplies and the wounded should be established along important communication routes.

THIRDLY, special sentries should be posted by the reserve units in various hsien and countries as an additional precaution against traitors.

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WORK OF DESTROYING JAPANESE RAIL COMMUNICATIONS DESCRIBED



One of the big flying-boats of the Coastal Command North Sea patrol. Hunting enemy submarines and convoy work are also included in the duties of these aircraft.

Ninety-Five Locomotives Wrecked

SHANGHAI, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—The work of causing destruction to Japanese railway communications was described by the Commander of the "Railway Destruction Corps" during an interview with pressmen at Loyang recently, says a Chinese message to the Sin Wan Pao.

Between September, 1938, and November, 1938, the Commander revealed, the Chinese succeeded in completely destroying 95 locomotives, more than 350 coaches and 18 armoured tanks.

During the same period the Chinese also destroyed 25 bridges spanning railroads, more than 8,000 cables of telegraph wires and removed about 130 kilometres of tracks and 4,000 sleepers.

More than 4,000 Japanese troops have allegedly been wounded and killed as the result of encounters with the Chinese "Railway Destruction Corps," which also claims to have captured large quantities of Japanese arms and munition supplies.

SABOTAGE WORK

LOYANG, Dec. 13 (Central)—Interviewed by the Central News today the commander of a Chinese railway sabotage corps operating in North Hunan revealed that his corps had damaged 95 Japanese locomotives, 350 wagons, 18 armoured cars, 25 bridges, 130 kilometres of railway track and thousands of sleepers and telegraph wires from May, 1938 to November, 1939.

"COCKEYED WAR" AND BREMEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—"The British Admiralty story makes a cockeyed war seem somewhat more cockeyed," writes the New York Daily News on the escape of the Bremen.

The paper adds: "The Bremen will be sent out to feed the Deutschland, the Admiral von Scheer and other German raiders. 'The Admiralty will most likely wonder if it was worth while either as a military advantage or propaganda to treat the Bremen with such courtesy.'"

INCIDENT CONSIDERED CLOSED

SHANGHAI, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—Rear-Admiral W. A. Glasford, Commander of the U. S. Yangtze Patrol, declared that he considered the incident on December 6, in which a member of the U. S. Naval Purchasing Office was slapped by a member of the Japanese Police, officially closed.

He added that he was gratified that the Japanese authorities explained the matter to the U. S. Consular authorities and expressed regrets over the affair.

NEW GERMAN ATTEMPT TO BLAME BRITAIN

Special to the H.K. Daily Press BERNE, Dec. 13 (Havas)—Germany has released a new White Paper, consisting of 48 documents, in which Herr von Ribbentrop attempts to prove Britain is exclusively responsible for the present conflict since the Paper says that Britain constantly endeavoured to prevent Germany's struggle to free herself from the Versailles Treaty.

SWEDISH CABINET RESIGNS

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—The Social Democrat Cabinet has resigned and a new coalition Government will be formed on a wider basis of representation.

The former Swedish Minister to Oslo will head the government in place of M. Sandler, who favours active assistance to Finland.

"FINLAND DAY"

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—Sympathy for Finland is increasing throughout the world.

Governor Lehman, of New York, has declared next Sunday as "Finland Day" when collections will be made.

The American Red Cross has already sent \$4,000 of medical supplies.

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MUNICH BOMB: GESTAPO MURDER TO HIDE FACT ELSER WAS AT DAUCHAU

PARIS, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—A report from a high Nazi source from the Swiss-German frontier states that in order to hide the fact that GEORGE ELSER, arrested in connexion with the Munich bomb explosion, was in the Dauchau concentration camp from 1937 until after the Munich explosion, the Gestapo executed three of Elser's companions in the camp, PETERS, BECKER and STEISELD.

They were reported to have been in the Dauchau concentration camp from 1937 until November 17 was contained in a despatch from the Hungarian-German frontier. The report was stated to have come from a high National Socialist source.

In a broadcast the German Freedom Station, addressing Himmler, the Gestapo Chief, said: "You know, as well as we do, that Elser is not responsible for the Munich explosion. We know the perpetrators."

It will be recalled that German newspapers, on December 7, published an official statement that the three men were executed for treason.

MORE MYSTERIOUS
A Reuter report from London, dated November 24, stated the Munich explosion arrests were becoming more mysterious. A report that Elser was an in-

MASS EXECUTIONS
LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—The French Radio states that following wholesale executions in Poznan, the Gestapo had turned their attention to the district of Poznan where 5,000 were executed.

In the World of Sports

SOCCER REVIEW

DISAPPOINTING MATCH AT CAROLINE HILL

Eastern Had Lucky Escape Against Middlesex

BY "PILAT"

Those who turned up at Caroline Hill expecting to witness a keenly contested game between SOUTH CHINA "A" and KWONG WAH were keenly disappointed as the match was a dull and uninteresting affair.

Both teams seemed to take things easily and never, at any stage of the game, unduly exerted themselves.

Lee Wai-tong returned to lead the attack after his recent injury. Although this brought a noticeable improvement in combination, the forwards, on the whole, still lacked the "old punch."

With Lau Tau-man still in Shanghai Ip Pak-wah was seen at left-wing, a position in which he figured as an Interceptor against Shanghai. He played a good game and showed glimpses of his old form.

Mak Shui-hon and Lee Tin-sang were their usual steady selves and had no trouble in checking the opposing forwards.

Kwong Wah made two changes which did not improve the team.

Chau Man-chi, having recovered from an injury, came in at inside-left and Cheuk Shek-kam was moved to right-wing.

The attack showed better combination than the champions but was too erratic in front of goal. Li Yan-leung was the best among the forwards.

LUCKY ESCAPE

EASTERN again had a lucky escape from defeat. Outplayed in all departments of the game they managed to score a last-minute goal and share eight goals with MIDDLESEX.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE THIRTEENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 16th December, 1939, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The first Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 12 o'clock Noon.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Telephone 21929).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary

Hong Kong, 11th Dec., 1939.

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HOCKEY CHATTER

—BY "RECORDER"—

The Hockey Carnival at King's Park on Sunday afternoon was in more ways than one a great success. Gate receipts did not disappoint and, as far as we can remember, seats were all taken and there were many who paid 50 cents to stand. The charge for admission to standing room though, could have been less, and it would be no exaggeration to state here that quite a few people were turned away by the price who would have come in for 30 or 20 cents.

Several suggestions have been put forward for other representative games, and another such game could, of course, be arranged after Christmas. It must be remembered, though, that two Interport games are tentatively on this year's programme. The Hongkong Ladies' Association are to be hosts to the Shanghai Ladies, and Hongkong are to meet Macao in a Men's Interport.

Two of the suggestions put forward do, however, merit some consideration. There has not been a game between Central British School Past and Present and Diocesan Girls' School Past and Present, and such an encounter, if it could be arranged, would result in a very interesting game. Such a match, though it would not do so well for a Carnival programme, should interest many girls, and more so now that there are so many graduates from school hockey who are playing their first, second or third year in the Caer Clark Cup with "Y" Ladies, St. Andrew's, or C. B. A. Ladies.

Recreio Ladies, newcomers to the Senior League, have several old D. G. S. girls in their ranks, and Hongkong Ladies are also not without a fair representation of old C. B. S. The Old Girls' Associations of either school would do well to consider the possibility of playing such a game.

A contemporary has already suggested a game between Married Ladies and Single Ladies. Another game that would be fairly representative of all players in Ladies' Hockey locally would be one between Local Schools' Past and Present and the Rest. We have heard it expressed that the Rest would win hands down, and it would be interesting to see if that can be so.

The Hockey Association Tournament made little progress over the week-end, and only one match was played. The Nomads Hockey Club, after having failed to put an appearance against the Police on Friday, met the Royal Corps of Signals at the Radio and Postal Sports Club ground on Sunday morning, winning 4-0.

TOURNAMENT TABLE TO DATE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
R.E.	3	3	0	0	6	2	6
Radio	2	2	0	0	7	2	4
C.B.A.	1	1	0	0	6	0	2
K.I.T.C.	1	1	0	0	2	0	2
Nomads	2	1	0	1	4	2	2
Recreio	2	1	0	1	2	6	2
Police	3	0	1	2	5	1	1
Signals	4	0	1	3	4	1	1
R.A.O.C.	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
University	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

The University have not started yet on their programme, but will start this coming week-end. We are told they have some 60 or 70 players to choose a team from, and though stronger in attack than defence, are not weak in any department. Their goal-keeper will be Sen Gupta, with R. S. Gill a Continued on Back Page

LEAGUE SOCCER POSTPONED

The First Division soccer match between Middlesex and the Royal Navy which was to have been played at Sookumpoo yesterday afternoon was again postponed as the Navy team was unable to play. It will be recalled that this match was originally fixed for Saturday, Dec. 9, and was postponed to yesterday as the Sookumpoo ground was engaged.

Government House Team Lose Again

TAIKOO WIN AT LAWN BOWLS

Visiting Taikoo yesterday afternoon, a team led by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, was defeated by the Taikoo Recreation Club by six shots in a friendly game of lawn bowls.

Scores were as follows:—His Excellency's team:—W. A. Cornell, Sir Atholl MacGregor, J. Deakin and H. E. the Governor (skip) 24; Col. Colin, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, A. C. Milne and E. V. Searle (skip) 17; J. A. Fraser, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell and T. Robinson (skip) 16. Total, 57 shots.

Taikoo R. C.:—W. Melrose, J. Finnie, J. C. Chalmers and W. H. Lock (skip) 27; W. C. Bovald, J. J. Whyte, H. O. Gillies and D. Munro (skip) 21; D. Bone, J. F. Lawrie, R. Main and R. Wallace (skip) 15. Total, 63 shots.

Garcia-Lee Fight On December 23

MANILA, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—It was announced today that the fight between Ceterino Garcia, Filipino middleweight champion of the world, and Glen Lee, leading American middleweight, will take place on Saturday, Dec. 23.

The fight was scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 16 but was postponed on account of the late arrival of the Honolulu Clipper, in which Jack Dempsey, former heavyweight champion of the world who is refereeing the bout, is travelling from San Francisco.

D.B.S. LOSE AT CRICKET

In a friendly cricket match played at the Diocesan Boys' School yesterday, the School lost to the Royal Army Ordnance Corps. D.B.S. 92 (Whitfield 37, Maccala 15, Anderson 4 for 16, Buckle 5 for 50, R.A.O.C. 171 (Gardner 51, Anderson 51 retired, Burch 4 for 54).

C.S.C.C. vs. Hongkong Police At Billiards

The following will represent the Hongkong Civil Service Cricket Club vs. the Hongkong Police at Billiards and Snooker today at the C.S.C.C. at 7 p.m.:—

BILLIARDS: F. Jones, M. N. Rakusen and A. W. Grimmit. SNOOKER: V. Ebbage, J. A. Benda and C. Strange.

TRAINING GALLOPS

The following times were recorded at the Happy Valley training gallops on Saturday:—

Distance 1st 2nd 3rd 4th Last

Qr. Qr. Qr. Qr. Qr.

Potentate 32.3 1.08.2 1.38 31.3

Lancashire Lass 37.3 1.11.1 1.43 32

Macquarie River 33.2 1.04 1.32.2 28.2

New Star 38.2 1.11 1.42.4 2.12.4 30

National Pride 34.2 1.07.4 1.39.2 31.3

King Kong 33.3 1.08 1.41 2.13 32

Triumph Day 33.2 1.03.3 1.34.2 2.01.1 26.4

Night View 34.1 1.07 1.39 32

Commencement Bay 36.2 1.13 1.47.3 2.19.2 31.4

Tornado Star 34.2 1.07.2 1.38.2 2.04 27.3

Taxing Master 40 1.14.3 1.48.2 31.4

Tampa Bay 36 1.09.2 1.43.2 2.14 30.3

Scenic View 34.3 1.07.3 1.39.4 32.1

A Grand Time 34.2 1.04.4 1.33.2 28.3

Galveston Bay 34 1.07.3 1.40 2.10.4 30.4

Rose Flans 37 1.14 1.49.3 2.23 33.2

Dawn Star 36 1.10 1.40.1 2.11.3 31.2

Matador 39 1.15.1 1.47 31.4

Kut Cheong 38 1.15.4 1.53.1 2.27.2 34.1

Courting Eve 33 1.05.2 1.35.3 30.1

A Roaring Time 30 1.00 1.28.2 28.2

Jennifer 32 1.01.3 1.34 23.2

Hectic View 35.2 1.08.3 1.40 2.10.2 30.2

Gold Coin 40 1.18 1.53 2.26 33

Baffin Bay 33 1.05.2 1.37 2.05.2 28.2

Salvage Master 37.3 1.11.3 1.43.3 32

Pumpernickel 29.3 59.1 1.28 28.4

Just in Time 38 1.09 1.41 2.12.3 31.3

Lancashire Chips 37 1.08.3 1.37.4 2.05.4 28

Confusion Bay 34 1.05.2 1.35.2 30

Oak Bay 32.3 1.05.2 1.39 33.3

Brutus 31.1 1.01.1 1.29.1 23

Gog 36.3 1.12.4 1.48.2 2.20.4 31.2

Heedon 35.4 1.10 1.45.4 35.4

Boat Bay 34 1.04.4 1.37.3 32.4

Smiling Time & This Time 35 1.10 1.46 2.20 34

CANADIAN CHINESE GIRLS RECEIVE FIRST DEFEAT OF SEASON IN POOR SOFTBALL PROGRAMME

Wildcats Run Riot Over Recreio: Tulsa - Recreio Was The Best Game

BY R.O.Y.

In the only interesting clash of a poor programme, the Wahos struggled through to a 6-4 victory over the Canadian Chinese girls to inflict on the latter their first defeat of the season.

The Maple Leafs were able to connect for only 1 hit off the steady hurling of Therese Noronha and committed seven bobbles to allow the winners' their final score on but four safeties.

Mary Louie chalked up eight strike-outs for the losers but was let down badly by her team-mates poor support.

Irene Castilho gave a sparkling display at the Windy Alley, while Rozy garnered three of the winners' hits.

Jean Lee connected for the Canucks while Rene Yuen and Dot Louie were the only defenders to get through without bobbling.

POINTS FORFEITED

The Cubs failed to turn out for their scheduled clash with the Pirates and forfeited the points.

In an even but scrappily played game, the Ball Club girls improved their league position with a close 12-11 win over the luckless Baby Panthers, who were edged out by the winners last inning rally.

Charito Esmal copped batting honours with a double and a pair of singles while Lil Foster helped with a brace of bingles. Irene Xavier connected twice, for the losers while Melvy Campos hit for the circuit.

WILDCATS RUN RIOT

The Wildcats ran riot over the Ramblerettes who appeared to be over-awed by the speed and control of Lilly Mar on the mound for the winners. Lilly fanned eight and walked one, conceding only one bingle.

With a long lead, Pam Young was put onto the hillock and allowed the losers four tallies on as many singles, before the last out was made Gloria Mar with five, and Ella Chinn with four were the most consistent of the winning batters, although Doris Mar connected for the round trip.

Hilda Soares, playing her first league game, showed the Recreio veterans how by being the only Ramblerette to connect twice. The final score was 19-4 in the Wildcats favour.

MEN'S LEAGUE

In the Men's League, the Canadian Chinese were always under wraps in trouncing Liga by 9 tallies to 2. Herbie Quon hurling

INDIAN SPORTSMAN TO WED

M. EL ARCULLI, CRICKETER, BASE BALLER

The best wishes of sporting circles, particularly in cricket and baseball, will be extended to Mr. M. el Arculli, the Indian R.C. first eleven batsman and bowler, on the occasion of his marriage to Miss Jenny Hamet which will take place on Sunday.

After the ceremony a reception will be held at the Indian Recreation Club at 5 p.m.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hamet and is a popular member of the younger set.

USEFUL SCORES

Arculli, who is a medium pace bowler, can also be depended on with the bat and has made some useful scores for his Club. He has been playing regularly for the I.R.C. junior and senior teams for the last eight years. He is now more prominent in baseball in which game he is considered one of the best hurlers on the local diamond. He pitched for the Union Brewers, the champions last season, who did not lose a single game.

SWEEPSTAKE RACE RESULT

The Sweepstake race of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club sailed yesterday afternoon resulted as follows:—

Yacht	Finished	Pts.
Isobel	171119	1st
(Maj. C. V. Leagrins)		
Gull	171701	2nd
(Mr. A. O. E. Mills)		
Jean	171739	3rd
(Capt. G. E. Neve)		
La Linda	172429	4th
(Mrs. G. T. Johnstone)		
Eve	D.N.F.	D.N.F.
(Maj. G. Alley)		

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

MEETING.—Annual of Royal Hongkong Golf Club, at Jardine.

Matheson & Co.'s Office, 5.15 p.m.

TENNIS.—Colony Women's Singles championship, First Round, Mrs. Marriott v. Mrs. N. W. Smeby.

TOMORROW

BADMINTON LEAGUE.—Mixed Doubles, Recreio "A" v. K.C.C.

Y.M.C.A. Badminton, in the West Lounge, 6 p.m.

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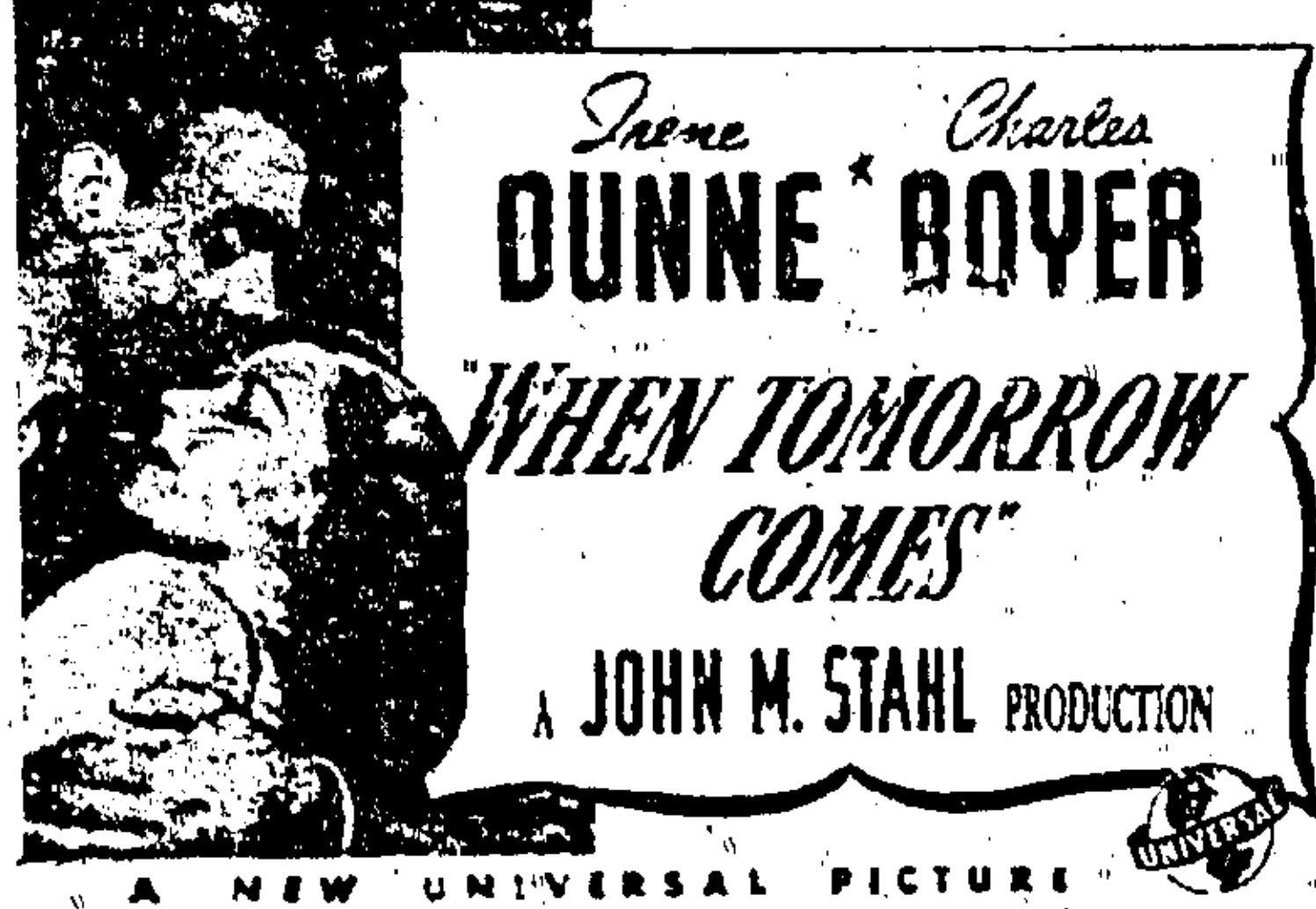
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COMING EVENTS

DEC.
14-Tides: High 6.16 a.m. and 8.23 p.m. Low 2.07 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.54 a.m.; Sunset: 5.41 p.m.
Legislative Council, 2.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "No! No! Nanette", 8.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Chinese Women's Club, Charity Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.
University Women Graduates Club, Concert in Great Hall (for school children), 6 p.m.
Royal Hongkong Golf Club, Annual Meeting, Jardine, Matheson and Co.'s office, 5.15 p.m.
First Church of Christ Scientist, Lecture by Mr. C. G. Rucker Edmond, H.K. Hotel, 6 p.m.
Theosophical Society: Speaker—Mr. Wei Tat "Some More Thoughts on Ancient Chinese Wisdom."
Y.M.C.A. Games Morning, 10 a.m.; Women's Section Committee Mtg., 10.30 a.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal, 7 p.m.
Meeting of Court of University of H.K., Fung Ping Shan Chinese Library, 5.30 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Busy Bees Knitting and Bandage-Making, Central Fire Station, 8.30 p.m.
Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 3.30 p.m.
Christ Church, Nativity Play Rehearsal, 8.30 p.m.
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First Aid Examination, Y.M.C.A., 10 a.m.
Crown Land Sale at Ping Shan, 11.30 a.m.
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First Aid Examination: St. John's Ambulance Bldg. 6.45 p.m.
R.A. Cup Polo, 3.30 p.m.
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H.K. Horticultural Society, Annual Mtg., Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, 5.15 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Bridge class, 10 a.m.
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Cheero Club Christmas Dinner, 7.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, 9 p.m.
Schools' Physical Training Competition, K.P.C., 9 a.m.
Y.M.C.A. Games morning, 10 a.m.
22-Sing-British Cultural Assn. Mtg.

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"Victorian Melodies"
12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 Military Band Concert including the Aldershot Tattoo, 1938.
Aldershot Command Searchlight Tattoo—Massed Bands of The Aldershot and Eastern Commands, All Hands—March—United States Navy Band, American (Thurman)—The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 Milka Korjus (Soprano) and De Groot and His Orchestra.
"Samson and Delilah"—Selection (Saint-Saens); "Louise"—Selection (Charpentier)—De Groot and His Orchestra.
Funiculi-Funicula (Denza, text Zanardini)—Milka Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra and Chorus.
Evenson (Easthope Martin)—Desert Song—Walls "The Desert Song"—Ramborg—De Groot and The Piccadilly Orchestra.
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Hawaiian Paradise (Owens); Dream Time (Davis and Coots)—London Piano-Accordion Band with Vocal Chorus.
2.15 Close down.
2.45 Studio—Children's Hour.
6.45 Some Welsh Songs.
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The little thatched cottage (arr. Osborne Roberts); David of the White Rock (arr. Osborne Roberts)—Lella Megana (Contralto) with Piano.
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Call Rag: Tiger Rag—The Ballyhoosians.
Slow Fox-Trot—Star Dust Covered Bunch—Joe Loss and His Orchestra.
Tango—Twilight; Jungle Belle—E. Bohr's Argentine Tango Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—You Were There (from To-night at 8.30)—The Phoenix Theatre Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News.
8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
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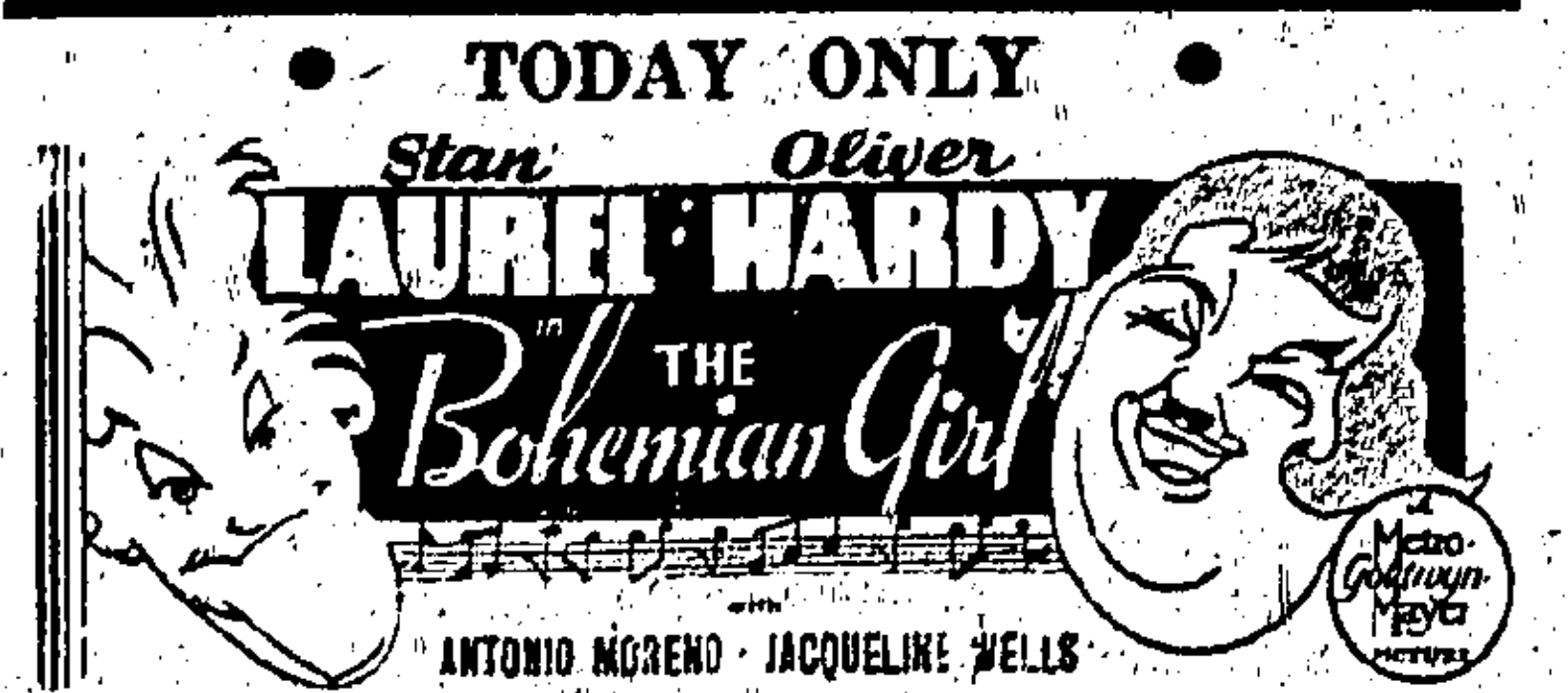
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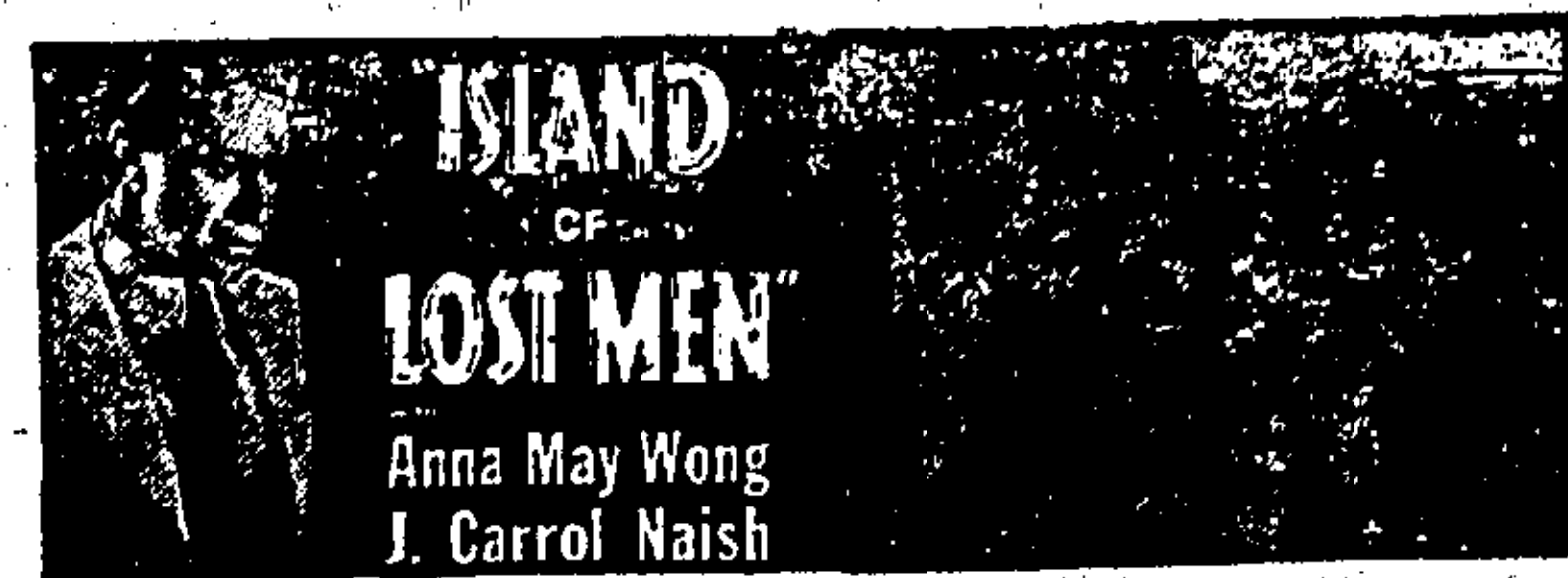
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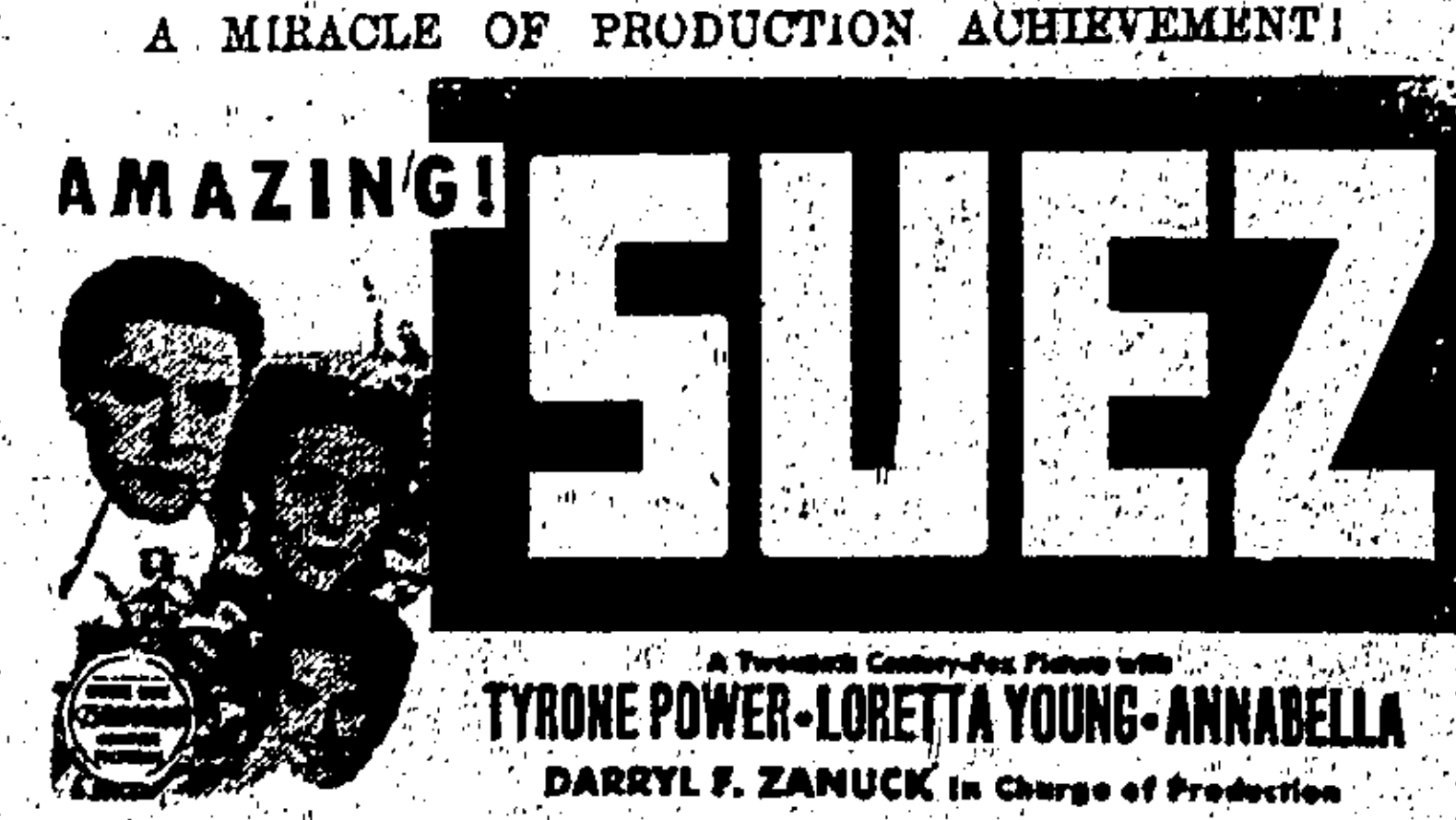


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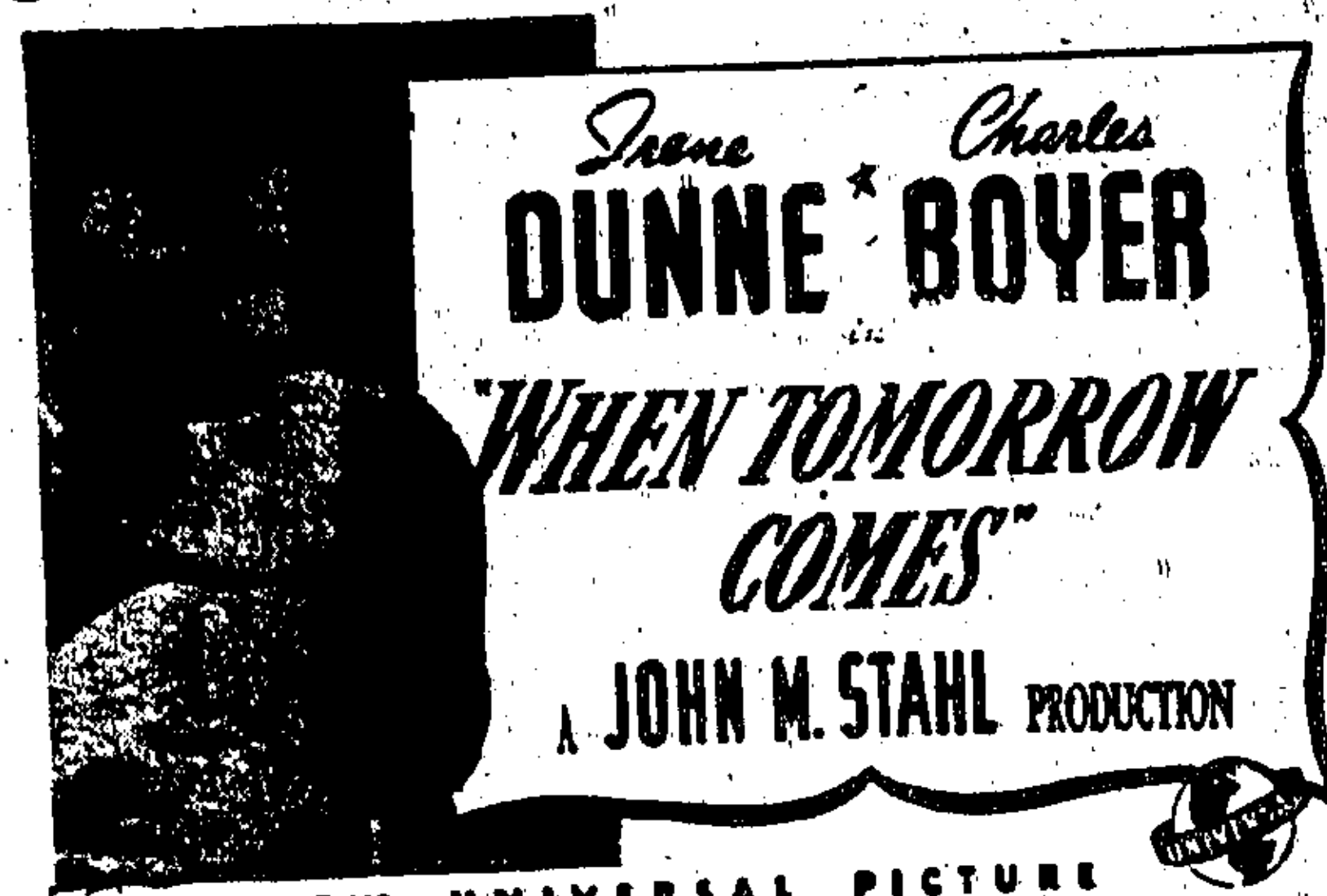


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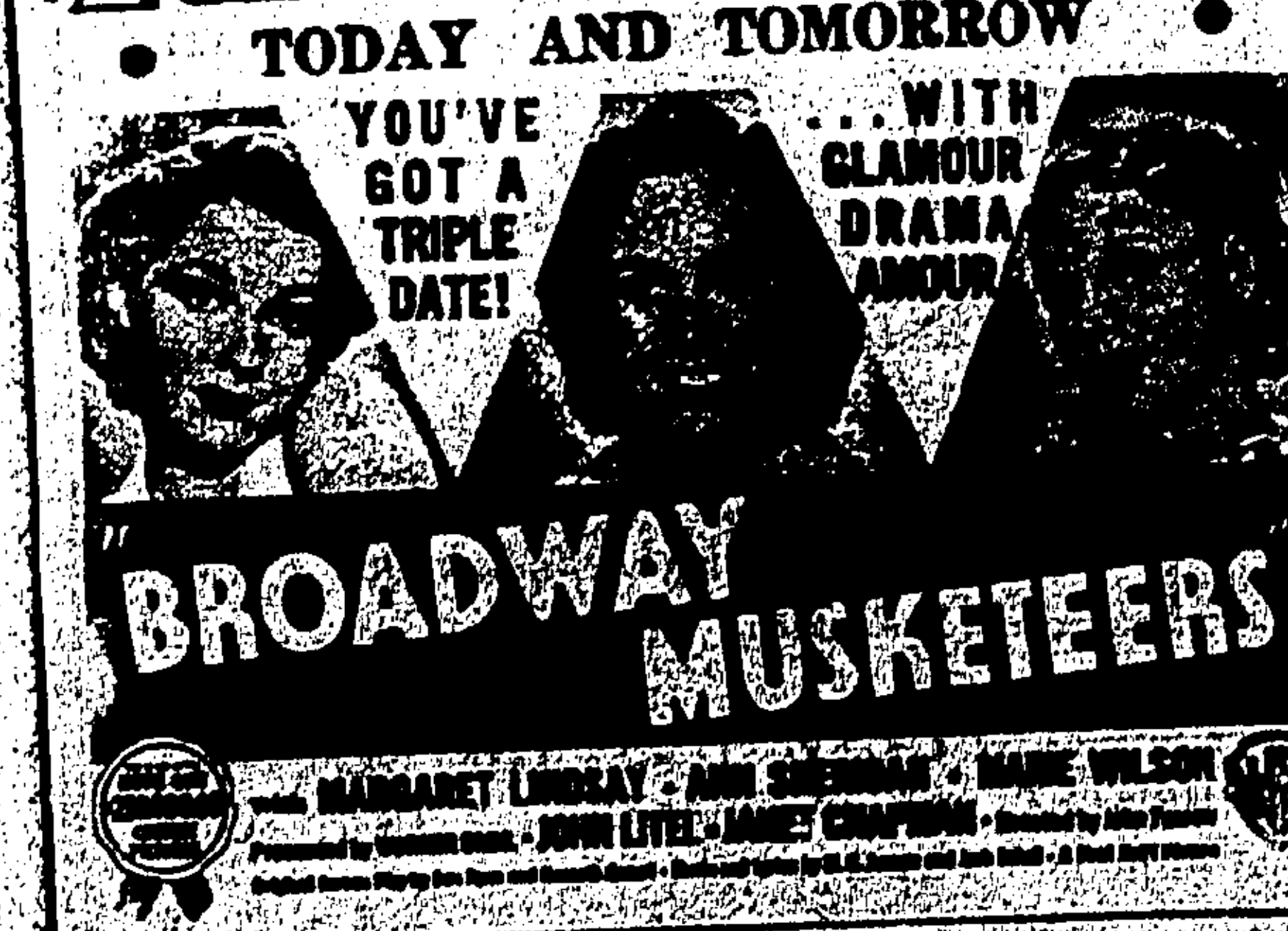
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COMING EVENTS

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14—Tides: High 6.16 a.m. and 5.23 p.m. Low 1.27 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.54 a.m.; Sunset: 5.41 p.m.
Legislative Council: 2.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: “No! No! Nanette.” 9.30 p.m.
H.K. Chinese Women's Club, Charity Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.
University Women Graduates Club Concert in Great Hall (for school children), 8 p.m.
Royal Hongkong Golf Club, Annual Meeting, Jardine, Matheson and Co.'s office, 5.15 p.m.
First Church of Christ Scientist, Lecture by Mr. Colin Rucker Edmonson, H.K. Hotel, 8 p.m.
Theosophical Society: Speaker—Mr. Wei Tai “Some More Thoughts on Ancient Chinese Wisdom.”
Y.M.C.A. Games Morning, 10 a.m.; Women's Section Committee Mtg., 10.30 a.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal, 7 p.m.
Meeting of Court of University of H.K. Fung Ping Shan Chinese Library, 5.30 p.m.
Ladies Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Busy Bees Knitting and Bandage-Making, Central Fire Station, 9.30 p.m.
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26—Boxing Day, R.E.O.C.A. “Fancy Dress” Dance, Peninsula Hotel.
Fanning-Hunt and Race Club Meeting at Kwant.
Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, 3 p.m. and 9 p.m.
H.K.C.B.C.—Prize-Giving & Children's Sports, 4 p.m.
30—Claims against estate of Leung Chan Tak Yan due.
31—New Year's Eve Football Shield, First Round, Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, 3 p.m.
Theosophical Society: Speaker—Mr. Percy Chen “The Rebirth of Nations.”

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LONDON, DEC. 13 (BWS)—THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER, SIR JOHN SIMON, SPEAKING IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY, SAID THAT AS A RESULT OF HIS RECENT CONVERSATIONS WITH THE FRENCH MINISTER OF FINANCE, A COMPREHENSIVE AGREEMENT HAD BEEN ARRIVED AT BETWEEN THE BRITISH AND FRENCH TREASURIES, which will secure, in the field of finance, co-operation which corresponds to that already announced at the last meeting of the Supreme War Council in other fields of activity.

Summarizing some of the main features of the agreement, it was agreed that it was in the common interest to avoid, during the war, alterations in the existing rate of exchange between the pound and the franc.

MUTUAL ARRANGEMENTS
They had further made mutual arrangements which will enable each country to cover its requirements for the currency of the other country as agreed without any question. Thus sterling held by the French monetary authorities would be available for expenditure throughout the sterling area and franc held by the United Kingdom monetary authorities would be available for expenditure throughout the French Empire.

RAISING OF LOANS
Neither Government would raise a foreign loan or credit except in agreement with, or jointly with, the other. Neither Government would impose fresh restrictions on imports from the other country during the war for protective purposes or for exchange reasons. The two Governments would share certain items of expenditure incurred in a common cause, such as financial assistance to other countries and the continuation of the armed forces of their Polish Ally.

British Home Topics Under Comment

ART & EDUCATION NECESSARY

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—Writing on home topics, the Daily Herald welcomes the work of the Arts and Entertainment Emergency Council, which will endeavour to keep going those connected with various arts and entertainments. "Art and education are not luxuries," says the paper. "They are necessities and precious possessions which give a meaning to our lives and to the cause in which we are fighting."

The Daily Express wants the shopping hours extended and more light during the black-out, while the Daily Mail welcome the scheme to make British documentary films as "At Last" a systematic plan to counter Nazi screen propaganda.

COLONY HEALTH

Twenty-three cases of tuberculosis, four cases of diphtheria, one case of dysentery and one case of enteric fever were notified to the Health Department on Dec. 12.

PLANE COLLIDES WITH BALLOON BARRAGE CABLE

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—It was officially announced yesterday that a Fleet Air Arm aircraft collided with a balloon barrage cable near Southampton and that the crew of four were killed.

Increased Naval Construction

COMPENSATION FOR LOSSES

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—The increasing completeness of British naval supremacy is shown by the fact that the total losses of the Royal Oak and Courageous, two destroyers, the Gypsy and Blanche and one submarine, make up 35,649 tons displacement and also the Rawalpindi and four small mine-sweepers amounting to 18,396 tons gross.

These are amply compensated by the enormous naval construction programme which has further increased since the outbreak of war—nearly one million tons of warships being under construction and many nearly completed, while the anti-submarine forces have already been more than trebled.

GERMAN BOAST

German anxiety resulting from these facts is indicated by the recent boast that the German Navy has been strongly reinforced by the incorporation of the Austrian Danube Flotilla, namely, no better topic for boasting than the addition of river patrol vessels and a few motor launches designed solely for river work.

NEUTRALS WILL NOT BE MUCH INCONVENIENCED

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter)—Mr. Ronald Cross, Minister for Economic Warfare, said in the House of Commons yesterday, that it was sufficient at present to prevent goods of enemy origin reaching their overseas destinations, as the Government was anxious to cause as little loss and inconvenience to neutrals as possible. The question of whether any more vigorous procedure might be adopted in the future, however, must depend on future circumstances.

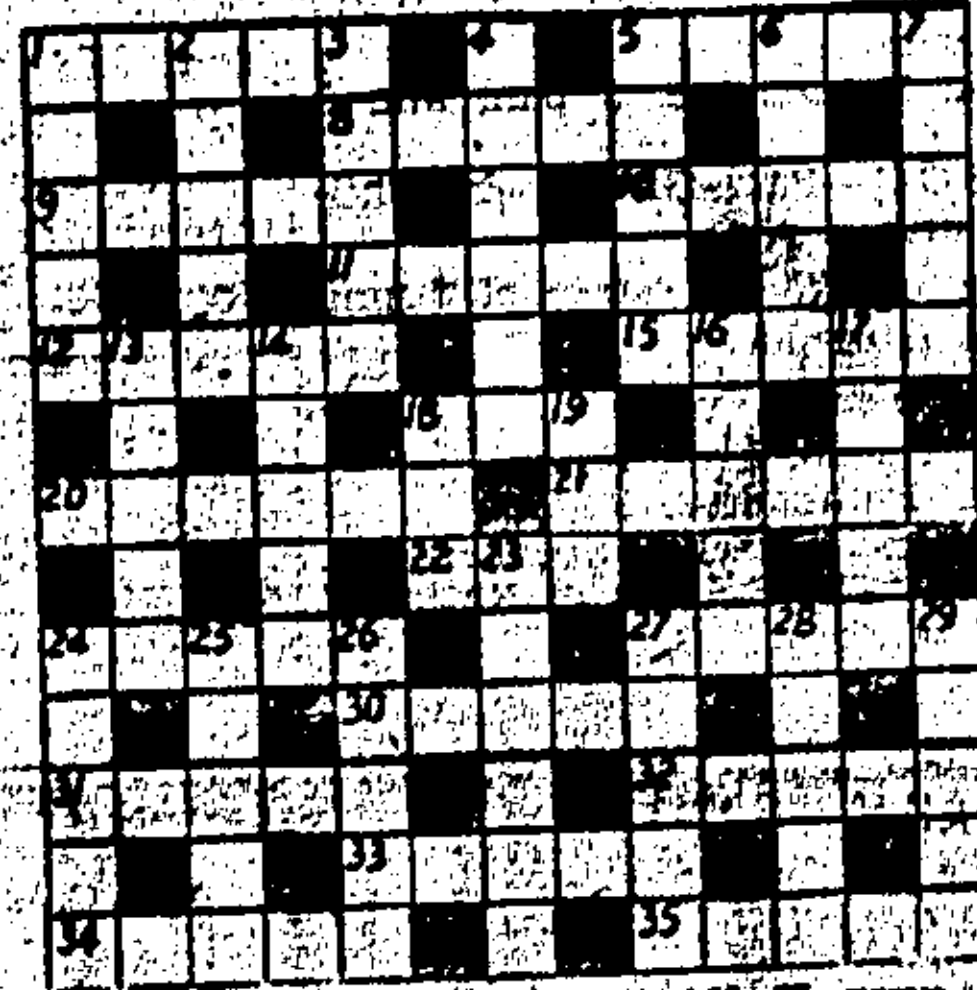
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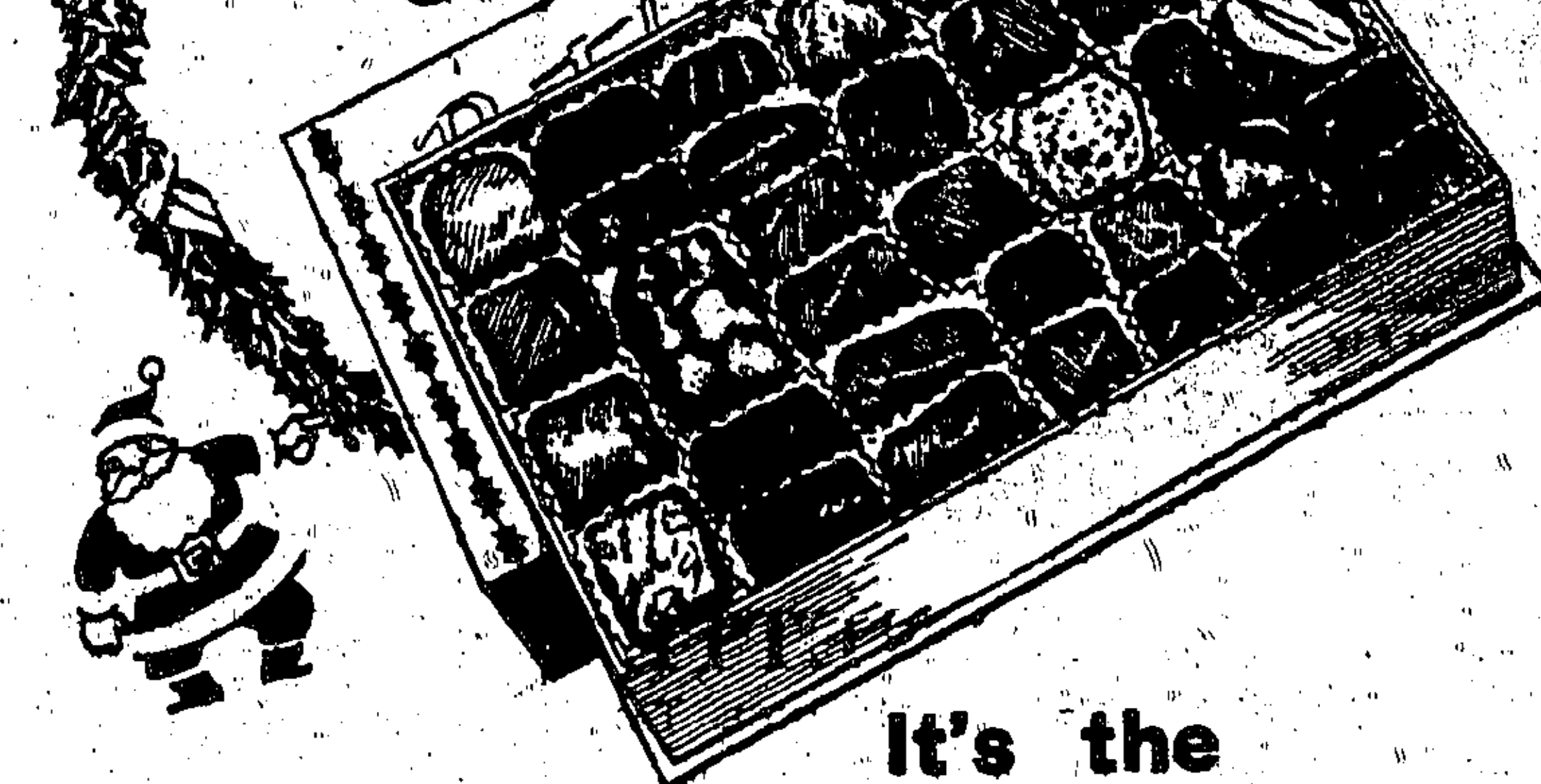


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NEW YEAR'S EVE (Rose Room Carnival) TILL 3 A.M.
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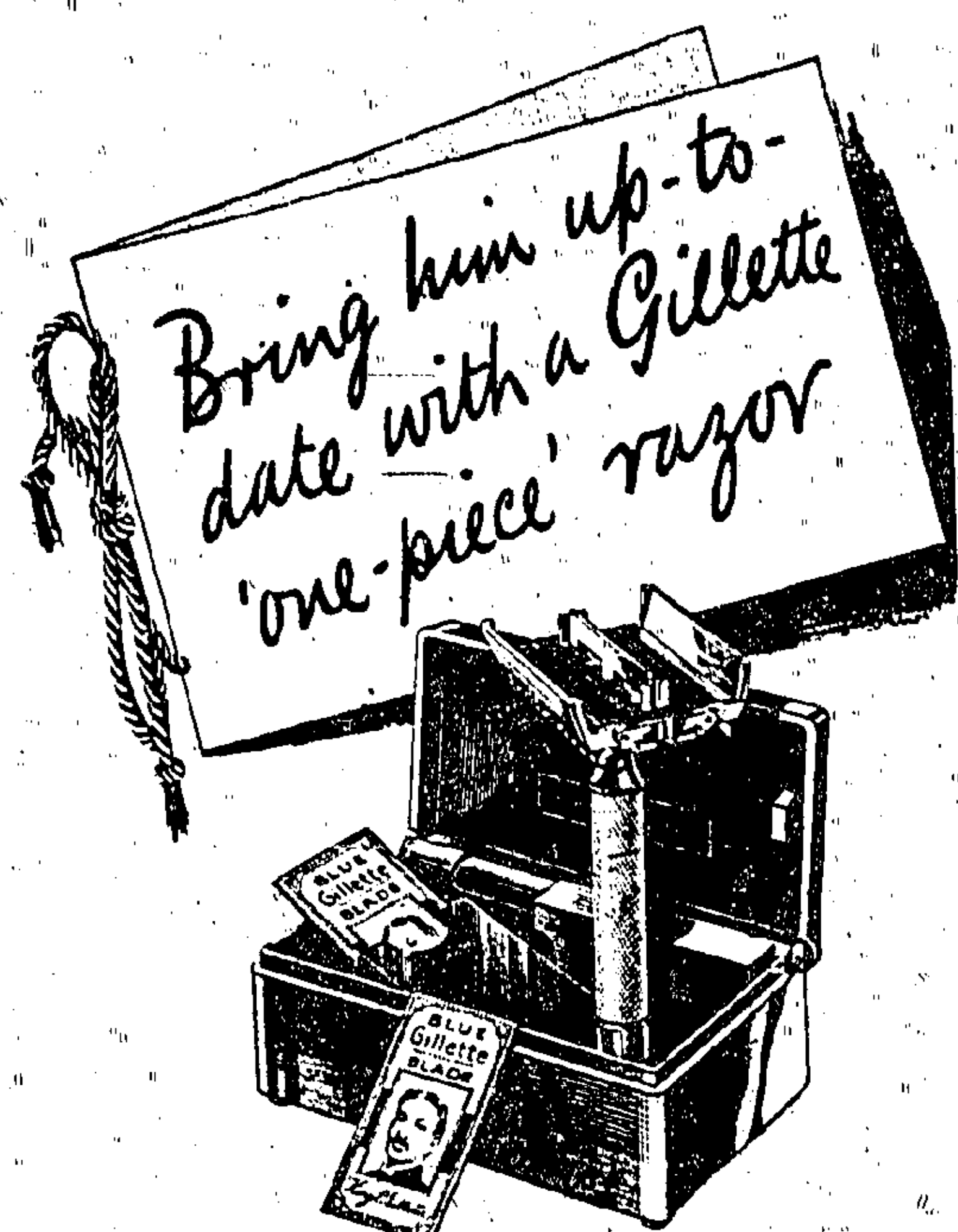
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PATH ROBBERY

A pedestrian is reported to have been held up by three armed men and robbed on a path leading to the Queen Mary Hospital shortly after noon yesterday.

The robbers are said to have decamped with a gold wrist watch and a gold finger ring. The victim was Pau Yu-chui, 20.

CHILDREN'S SOCIAL FOR B.W.O.F.

The children of Hongkong will participate in a Fancy Dress Party to be held in the Roof Garden of the Peninsula Hotel on December 22 from 4 to 6 p.m.

The proceeds from admission tickets will be for the British War Organisation Fund.

Legislative Council

AGENDA FOR TODAY'S MEETING

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held today in the Council Chamber, at 2.30 p.m., with His Excellency the Governor presiding.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The order of business for the day includes a question by the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock relating to cholera returns.

Sir Henry will ask: In view of the statement made in Government Notification No. 5, 645, in the Government Gazette of Dec. 8, 1939, to the effect that Hongkong is declared an infected port on account of cholera in the following places, namely: Bangkok, Siam, Tientsin, the Netherlands Indies, Singapore, the Federated Malay States, Amoy, Egypt, Palestine, Tsingtao, Shanghai and the Philippine Islands, will the Government state how many cases of cholera have been reported in this Colony during each of the five weeks up to Dec. 9, 1939?

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary will move "That the report of the Finance Committee (No. 9), dated Dec. 7, 1939, be adopted."

STYLE OF OFFICE

The Attorney General will move the following resolution:—Resolved pursuant to section 3 of the Public Officers (Changes of Style) Ordinance, 1937, that the style of the office of "Monopoly Analyst" be changed to that of "Government Chemist (Monopoly)," and of "Government Analyst" to "Government Chemist," for all purposes.

NEW BILLS

The Attorney General will move the Second and Third readings of—

A Bill to amend the Vagrancy Ordinance, 1897.

A Bill to amend further the Rating Ordinance, 1901.

A Bill to amend yet further the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933.

The Attorney General will move the Third reading of—

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Prevention of Ejection Ordinances, 1938 and 1939.

B.W.O.F. ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

The Entertainment Committee, of the British War Organisation Fund, Hongkong Branch, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Hobbs (c/o Royal Naval Hospital, Wanchai) are organising various events for the purpose of collecting money in aid of the Fund.

Advertisements appearing in the Press, or on posters or tickets to the effect that the proceeds of certain entertainments, Bazaars, etc., would be donated, partly or fully, to the British War Organisation Fund should kindly be submitted, in the first instance, to the office of the Hon. Secretary, c/o Government House.

The Committee for the Fund are deeply appreciative of all such kind and generous efforts and sincerely trust that Entertainment Organisations will conform to these requirements.

H.K. CHINA FILM EDUCATION ASSN.

The Hongkong branch of the China Film Education Association was formally organised at a meeting of educational and movie leaders at the St. Francis Hotel on Tuesday.

Those present included Messrs. Lo Ming-yu, Lo Ching-yu, Kuo Shao-hwa, Ma Chung-ying, Chien Yu-wen, Miss Lin Chu-chu and Miss Irene Ho. Mr. Wang Tang presided.

The formation of a Film Education Association was the idea of the League of Nations. The organisation has appeared in many countries. The China association was formed several years ago.

Credit for the establishment of the Hongkong branch goes to Mr. Lo Ming-yu, who was entrusted with the mission by the China association.

On a charge of simple larceny of four fish from a man named Ng Fu, at Tai O, on Dec. 9, an Indian police constable, Mangha Khan, 39, L. S. B. 399, appeared before Mr. E. Himsforth, at the Kowloon Court yesterday. Bail of \$100 was allowed, a remand of three days being granted.



Cheng Cheung-fai, nephew of Cheng Kwok-yau and a member of a well-known Hongkong family, who was spirited away a few weeks ago in mysterious circumstances and for whose release a ransom of a million dollars was demanded, returned to Hongkong recently.

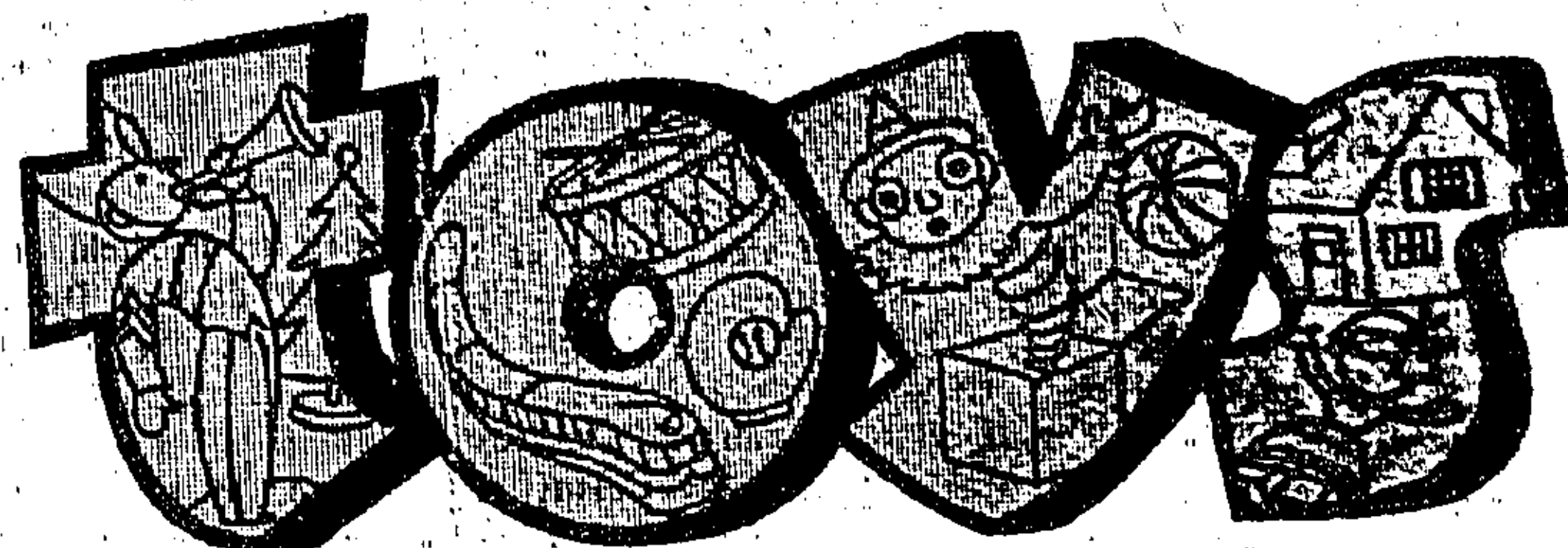
The Japanese Foreign Office spokesman told Reuter that Japan's report for 1938 on the mandated territories was on the way to Geneva, it having been delayed.

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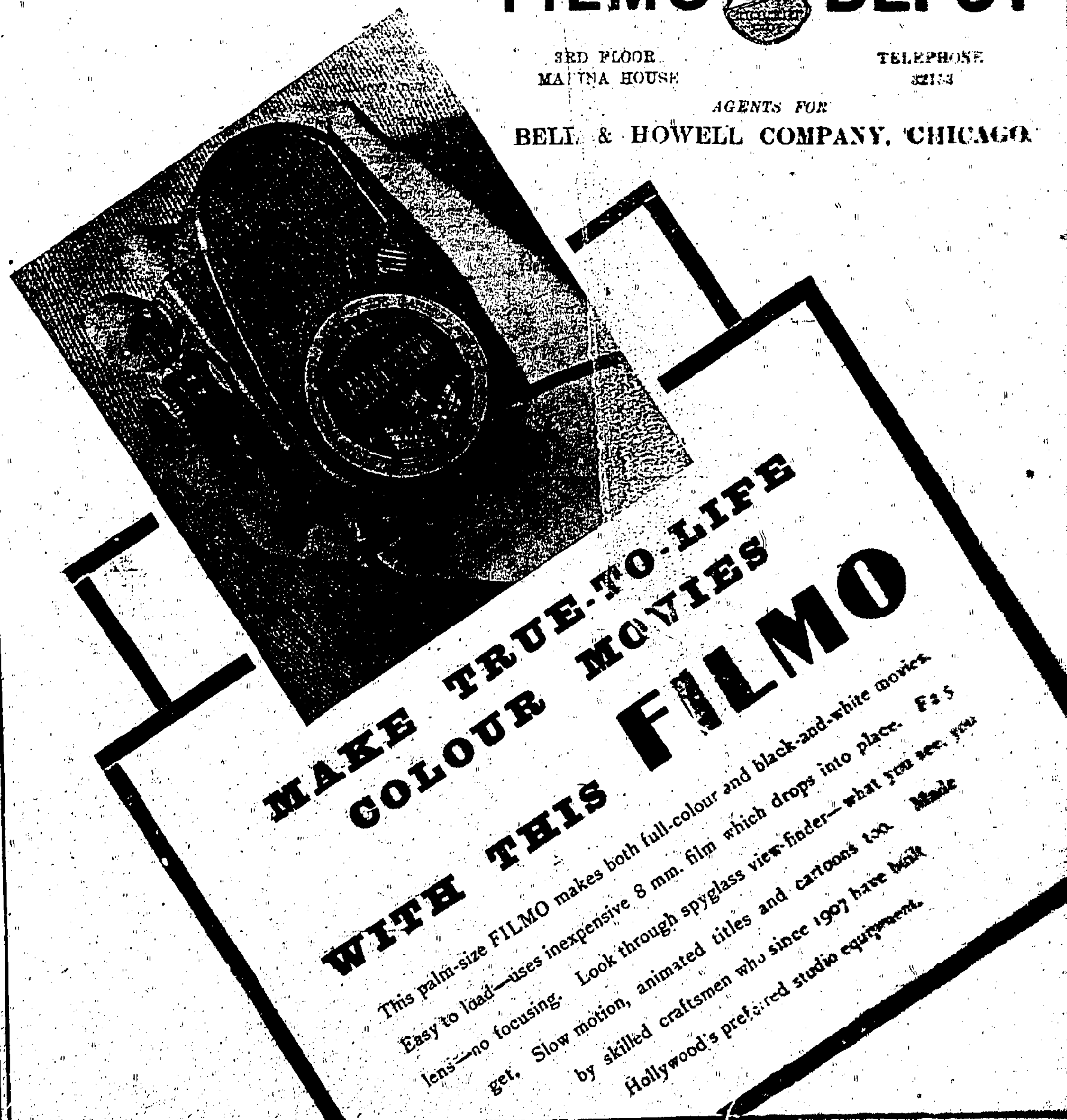
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The tenders to state the total amount (in pounds sterling). No telegraphic transfer will be made for less than £100, but tenders for sums above that amount to suit the convenience of the tenderers will be considered.

The tenders to be in duplicate, and in sealed covers, addressed to the Treasury Chest Officer, Command Pay Office, and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills, etc."

The right is reserved (1) to accept or reject any or all of the tenders, and, in particular (2) in case of equality of rate between tenders amounting in all to more than the total sum required, to give preference to any tenders received from Government institutions or from the bankers to the Treasury Chest.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

Persons tendering for (Bills) are hereby notified that having regard to the provisions of the Acts 22 George III Cap. 45 and 41 George III Cap. 52 the acceptance of any such Tender is subject to the express condition that no Member of the British House of Commons shall be admitted to any share or part in or to any benefit to arise from the Contract thereby made for the allotment of such (Bills).

The provisions in question do not apply to Contracts entered into by any incorporated Company in its corporate capacity and made for the general benefit of the Company."

T. A. MEEK,
Major R.A.P.C.
Treasury Chest Officer,
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Hong Kong.

H.K. HORTICULTURAL
SOCIETY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the above Society will be held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (by kind permission) on Tuesday the 19th December, 1939, at 5.15 p.m.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary,
Hong Kong, 6th Dec., 1939.

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DIVIDEND.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a FOURTH INTERIM DIVIDEND for the year ending the 29th February, 1940, of two per cent, that is \$2.00 per share, will be paid on all shares in this Company on Wednesday, the 20th December, 1939, at the Company's Office at China Building, 5th floor.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to 19th December, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
FUNG PING FAN,
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Hong Kong, 12th Dec., 1939.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of Dec., 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT									
No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price			
1	4210	Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2000, Kowloon City Road, To Kwa Wan.	N. S. E. W. ft. ft. ft. ft.	As per sale plan	About 6,000	92	3,750	877	

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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of Dec., 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land near Diamond Hill, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT									
No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price			
2	4211	South West of New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1891, near Diamond Hill.	N. S. E. W. ft. ft. ft. ft.	As per sale plan	About 58,000	10	2,610	878	

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT									
No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price			
3	4212	Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1892, Island Road.	N. S. E. W. ft. ft. ft. ft.	As per sale plan	About 27,500	64	1,376	876	

SHAMSHUPO
ROBBERY
FAILS

A tile-maker of No. 176, Yee Kok Street, Shamshupo, named Lau Chung, 68, had an unpleasant experience yesterday evening when two robbers, both speaking Shanghai dialect, stole into the house.

Lau was suddenly aroused, as he sat in a room at the side of the shop, by a voice asking for "the old man." A man entered the room who held something in his hand that resembled a pistol.

The would-be robber asked Lau for the keys to the shop. This the old man could not produce, and the intruder proceeded into another room. Lau followed behind, and then made a sudden dash into the backyard.

At this the robber, followed by a second man whom Lau had, up to that moment, not seen, ran out into the street and away without having taken anything.

DARDANUS DUE
TODAY

The Imperial Airways' plane R.M.A. Dardanus which was shot down by three Japanese military planes over Weichow Island last month was released yesterday and will arrive at Kai Tak this morning.

Captain J. N. Wilson and Engineer French, of Imperial Airways, proceeded by steamer, to the Japanese-occupied Island on Monday to bring the aircraft back to Hongkong.

Captain Wilson left the Island yesterday and landed at Fort Bayard late in the afternoon. He will proceed to Hongkong in the Dardanus this morning.

UNCLAIMED
TELEGRAMS

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of the Great Northern Telegraph Co. (Ltd.):

Chan Pak To c/o Prince's Bldg., 218; Chan Shiu Yin, 83 Ha Heung Road, 2/F, Kowloon; Lo Mee Lam, 30 Lai Chi Kok Road; Chang, 237 Jaffe Road, 1st floor; Yeung Foh, Fowloon Hotel 514; Miss Lu Mei Ling c/o Cathay Ballroom; all from Shanghai.

Mr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply, speaking during a visit to a munitions works, said that at no time had the might of the British Empire been greater or its fighting forces better and more adequately equipped. From Sept. 3 to Dec. 5, the Ministry had placed new orders amounting to \$208,000,000. Britain now had the most powerful Air Force in the world.—(Reuters).

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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 14, 1939

SEIZURE OF
REICH EXPORTS

(Contributed)

TO THE CONTROVERSY regarding the legality of the British detention of German exports, the Ministry of Economic Warfare contributes an explanation of why the Admiralty was entitled to take this step.

GERMANY, IT IS STATED, contends that the Allied action in detaining her exports is illegal, and she cites amongst other things the Declaration of Paris of 1856. One article of this Treaty provided that enemy goods might not be seized on neutral ships unless they were contraband, and enemy exports are not contraband. But Germany herself has violated this Treaty for she has repeatedly sunk neutral ships regardless of what goods they were carrying.

ANOTHER ARTICLE provided that non-contraband neutral goods were to be immune from seizure even in an enemy ship. Germany has violated this Article too for she has sunk numerous British ships regardless of whether they carried neutral goods. Germany destroys the goods irrespective of their liability to seizure, and she destroys the ships as well even if they are neutral. She is not therefore entitled to claim the observance of the Treaty from this country.

THE ACTION of H.M. Government against German exports is admittedly an act of reprisal. This being so, it is beside the point to discuss whether or not it would have been justifiable on the basis of ordinary legal principle. It is justifiable as a reply to prior German illegalities and is based on the established right of a belligerent to take reprisals if the enemy acts illegally.

GERMANY IS TRYING by illegal submarine and mine action to cut off all British commerce and Britain is consequently entitled, so far as it can, to cut off all hers. The action is directed solely against German commerce. That it affects neutrals is much to be regretted but cannot prejudice its legality as an act of reprisals.

IT MAY BE NOTED that the German action is far more violent and ruthless in its effects on neutrals. Their ships are sunk, their goods irretrievably lost, and worse than all, the lives of innocent beings are sacrificed.

THE DOCTRINE OF REPRISALS is very ancient. It derives from the Roman "lex talionis." A celebrated example of its application occurred during the Napoleonic Wars when Bonaparte illegally purloined, by the Berlin Decrees, to forbid all neutrals to trade with England. Britain replied by Orders in Council which had the object of cutting off all enemy commerce.

A SITUATION similar to the present one arose in the last war when illegal German submarine and mine action was answered by an Order in Council dated March, 1915, and another dated February, 1917, cutting off German sea borne exports.

It was learned late last night that Chen Chi-cho, 23, the soldier who escaped from Matauchung Internment Camp in the early hours of yesterday morning has not voluntarily returned, nor has he been found and taken again in custody. Chen's actual escape was not seen.

Application
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Alternative
Defence

At the resumed hearing at the Supreme Court yesterday of the alleged fraudulent mortgage case, Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., for the defence, made an application to file an alternative defence.

The action, which is being heard by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, has been brought by Chan Fui-hing, Chan Sik-tin and Chan Kwok-nin who allege that two mortgages in respect of No. 300 Des Voeux Road Central and No. 92 Wing Lok Street had been fraudulently executed by a clansman named Chan Chung-wah without their knowledge or consent and seek for a declaration by the court that the signatures are forgeries.

Plaintiffs are represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. C. D'Almada. Defendant, Tung Kai-sun, is represented by Mr. Sheldon and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. M. M. Watson.

After several witnesses had testified that third plaintiff was Chan Kwok-nin and that Chan Chung-wah and Chan Kwok-nin were different persons, Mr. Sheldon said that the defence would be that the third plaintiff was not Chan Kwok-nin, but had fraudulently impersonated him.

Leave was granted to Mr. Potter to reply to the application today.

Large - Scale
Propaganda

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuters).—A description of Nazi propaganda in South-East Europe was given by the Balkan correspondent of The Times. This propaganda, he writes, operates on a large scale.

60 NEWSPAPERS
Large numbers of Nazi-financed newspapers are to be found in the Danubian and Balkan countries and these papers, although they have small circulations and poor advertising, miraculously manage to put up large buildings and purchase expensive printing equipment. There are over 60 of them. Although the German Travel Agency in that area is not a busy place, it employs some 600 people.

Hello & Goodbye

(BY A. W. HYER)

Pan American Airways' local officials promise that the Honolulu Clipper will put in an appearance on Monday afternoon, from San Francisco, via Manila.

This will be the last Christmas mail service out of Hongkong for America before December 25. Mail on this return flight will reach San Francisco on Christmas Day.

If anyone is still banking on air mail reaching Europe for Christmas they are out of luck. The next inward place of Imperial Airways, due to arrive at Kai Tak on Thursday, has been delayed and will not be here before Friday afternoon.

And speaking of Imperial Airways, Captain J. N. Wilson arrives from Weichow Island this morning in the repaired R.M.A. Dardanus.

A Canadian liner will be in harbour today, and will shortly leave with many passengers from Hongkong bound across the Pacific. There will also be an American ship arriving tomorrow with many passengers and much mail from the United States.

Air France

THE VILLE DE DAMAS, Air France's plane, arrived at Kai Tak on Wednesday at 3.10 p.m. on the weekly call from France, via Hanol.

Mr. E. F. Koch and Mr. C. J. Lafferty, officials of Standard Vacuum Oil Company, and attached to the local office, returned from Saigon and Indo-China. These gentlemen, from all appearances, were glad to be home.

Down from the interior of China travelled Mr. M. C. Balfour, Field Director of the Rockefeller Foundation. Very reticent was this gentleman who has been roaming China during the past month. After a short stay he will go to Shanghai.

Mr. J. L. Bledsoe and Mr. L. Biell were two other passengers from Hanol. Four Chinese passengers also arrived.

Mail loads, particularly toward the Air France planes, seem to



Dancers, in picturesque Chinese costume, who will appear at the charity ball, organised by the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club, at the Peninsula Hotel tonight.

CHINA WAR
NEWS

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FOURTHLY, more guerrilla bands should be organised.

HEAVY CASUALTIES

CHANGTSE, HUNAN, Dec. 13 (Central).—Heavy casualties were inflicted by Japanese aircraft on Yenki, a town on the west bank of the Tschui River, in Hunan, during an air raid on Monday.

Over 10 demolition and incendiary bombs were dropped by the raiders.

SWEEPING SUCCESS

CHUNGKING, Dec. 13 (Central).—Sweeping successes were scored yesterday by Chinese troops in simultaneous counter-offensives in North Hunan, South Hupei and North Kiangsi, according to military advices.

TSUNGYANG RECAPTURED

CHUNGKING, Dec. 13 (Central).—Describing the Chinese recapture of Tsungyang, Japanese base of operations, in South Hupei, yesterday a dispatch from Pingkang states that three Chinese columns swooped down on the city at 2 a.m. Serious fighting took place in the southeastern outskirts.

TANCHENG RETAKEN

SOMEWHERE IN SHANTUNG, Dec. 13 (Central).—Tancheng, historic 2,000 year-old walled city on the South Shantung border, 87 miles northeast of Hsuechow, has been recovered by Chinese units.

Owing to pressure on space the continuation of the complete manifesto of the Sixth Plenary Session of the C.E.C. of the Kuomintang is held over.

The Law Of
Maritime
Capture

An engrossing and comprehensive paper entitled "The Law of Maritime Capture" was read yesterday evening by Mr. John Whyatt to the Hongkong Law and Commerce Society, in the University Union Assembly Room.

The lecturer began by emphasizing the distinction between enemy property on land and enemy property at sea. He said the distinction was of fundamental importance since, according to international law, enemy property on land could not be confiscated whereas enemy property at sea or within the precincts of a port could be seized and condemned as prize.

The law of prize could be defined as the right of a belligerent to capture ships or goods at sea. By the maritime law of nations, universally and immemorably received, there was an established method of determining whether a capture was lawful or not; in every case there had to be a regular judicial proceeding and condemnation decreed according to the law of nations. It was because the conduct of a belligerent in making captures at sea was subject to the approval of a court of law that this type of hostility was unique in the realm of war.

Furthermore the judge presiding over the proceedings was not administering the law of any one state but the rules of international law which had received the assent of civilized peoples.

FIVE MAIN GROUNDS

The lecturer proceeded to enumerate the five main grounds upon which a prize court would make a decree of condemnation. Firstly, if the subject matter was enemy property, secondly, if it was contraband, if it was engaged in unneutral service, fourthly, if it was engaged in trading with the enemy and, fifthly, if it was engaged in violating a blockade.

After discussing the Reprisals Order and its relationship to the subject of blockade, the lecturer dealt finally with the question of the proceeds of prizes. Originally all prizes belonged to the Crown, but they were not divided into Droits of Admiralty and Droits of the Crown. The proceeds of the former were paid into the Imperial Exchequer and became part of the Consolidated Fund, whereas the latter, according to the practice introduced in the last war, were paid into the Naval Prize Fund and divided among the officers and men of the Royal Navy.

Sing - Song
"Queen" Left
Jewellery

Considerable property in money and jewellery was left by Fa Ying-han, "queen" of the West Point sing-song girls, who ended her life by swallowing an overdose of opium a few weeks ago.

It has been revealed that, in a safe deposit box rented in her proper name, Chu San-chun, at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, there was a quantity of jewellery and both Hongkong and Chinese banknotes.

The money is stated to consist of over \$3,000 in Hongkong currency and over \$7,000 in Chinese national currency, while the value of the jewellery has been assessed at over \$2,000.

Fa Ying-han was crowned "Queen" of West Point entertainers last year after collecting the largest amount in a drive among sing-song girls for funds for war relief.

FINNS STRENGTHENING DEFENCES FOR COUNTER-STROKE ON PETSAMO FRONT

Russian Holiday May Be Zero - Hour For New Offensive

HELSINKI, DEC. 13 (REUTER) — THE FINNS ARE HASTILY STRENGTHENING THEIR DEFENCE LINE AND ARE ALSO UNDERSTOOD TO BE PLANNING A COUNTER STROKE BY POURING VERY HEAVY REINFORCEMENTS INTO THE PETSAMO FRONT.

THE OBJECT OF THIS, ACCORDING TO NEUTRAL OBSERVERS, IS PARTLY TO DIVERT THE FORCE OF THE RUSSIAN ATTACK AND PARTLY TO THREATEN THE MURMANSK RAILWAY.

At present there is little indication when this offensive may be expected. One theory is that today, a Russian holiday, may be zero-hour.

Circles here think that the Red Army will wait until the ice on the lakes is thick enough to bear tanks and mechanised transport.

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — Finnish observers are gradually coming to the conclusion that the Russians at present have only third rate soldiers in the field, and it is thought that Moscow Commanders, finding that they greatly under estimated the strength of the Finnish resistance, have now decided to bring up their first class reserves.

CENTRE OF FIGHTING
Meanwhile, the centre of gravity of the fighting suddenly shifted from the Karelian Isthmus to the Centre of Finland, where the Russians are trying to drive a wedge to split the country in half.

Very heavy fighting is proceeding on the whole front around the pleasure resort of Suomussalmi and further north, near Kuola-jarvi, the Russians are reported to have very large force here and the Finns rushing up reinforcements.

It is unofficially reported that Finnish planes yesterday bombed and destroyed twelve miles of railway on the outskirts of Murmansk.

Finnish Communique: Attacks Repulsed

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — A Finnish Communique states that there is severe fighting along the whole line of the Karelian Isthmus, and that it is especially fierce in Muola Village. The enemy made several attacks and all were repulsed.

The enemy left hundreds of dead in the Finnish front lines.

Several enemy tanks were destroyed and the enemy made several attempts to break through the Eastern frontier.

A great battle was fought at Tolvakkela where Finnish troops captured 52 machine-guns and other war material. Three battalions of enemy infantry were annihilated and several tanks put out of action. Enemy attacks in Liljola, supported by heavy artillery, were repulsed.

NORTHERN SECTOR
Fighting continues in the northern sector of the Eastern Front. Enemy planes bombed Hymnalmi and some islands in the Gulf of Finland without result, while the Finnish Air Force bombed and machine-gunned enemy lines and marching columns of troops.

Italy's Interest In Fighting

ROME, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — Rome circles are following the fighting in Finland with great interest.

It is stated here that the Soviet attack have been extended over the whole of the Eastern Front and that the fighting has been most violent during the past twenty-four hours.

A Helsinki official announcement states that so far three out of four Soviet casualties have been caused by cold and exposure.

GREETING LETTER TELEGRAMS

Messrs. Cable and Wireless Ltd., announce that G. L. T. Services will be admitted with Canada, India and Burma as from today, Dec. 14. The inclusion of these countries now completes the G. L. T. Scheme with all parts of the Empire.

Telegrams relating to family news, social matters or personal affairs are accepted in the G. L. T. Service. The rate is \$4 for a minimum of twelve words and additional words in proportion.

British Press Advises Against Hasty Action By Allies In Geneva

GENEVA, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — Although Moscow was given until 10 a.m. today to reply to the League's telegram, owing to the uncertainty about the time of its receipt in the Soviet capital, according to a Paris radio message, the Russian reply has already been received in Geneva.

The reply rejects the League's appeal for the cessation of hostilities against Finland.

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — The British press is principally taken up with the League Assembly at Geneva.

While the justice of Finland's appeal is fully recognized, there are serious misgivings as to whether the League will be able to take effective action.

TWO GREAT POWERS

The News-Chronicle stresses the fact that Britain and France today are the only two great powers in Geneva and they are fully engaged in a major war. Smaller nations could expect no similar assistance if they got into trouble over the application of sanctions. Many of the smaller nations too are primarily concerned with maintaining their own neutrality.

TIME UNFAVOURABLE

The Daily Telegraph feels that there is hardly a less favourable time for the exercise of the League's authority. But the root of the trouble lies not in Moscow, but in Berlin. Sever that root and the offshoots will weaken.

The Allies are doing the world's work and they will be wise if they do not allow any resolution which the League, in its righteous indignation may pass, to deflect them from their main purpose.

ASSEMBLY MEETS

GENEVA, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — Confronted with Russian rejection of the League's appeal to submit the Soviet-Finnish conflict to negotiation under League auspices, the Assembly, at its meeting today, will decide what action to take.

The Soviet reply caused no surprise in diplomatic circles here.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT

GENEVA, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — While waiting for Moscow's reply, the Committee of Fourteen completed its report on the dispute.

The report falls into three parts: the first is a historical review; the second cites the laws and treaties involved; and the third discusses the juridical conclusion to be drawn.

The Committee will meet this afternoon to decide what recommendations to add to the report.

REPORT ADOPTED

LONDON, Dec. 13 (BWS) — Press reports from Geneva state the committee of thirteen appointed by the Assembly to discuss the Finnish appeal has adopted the report and resolution recommending the expulsion of Russia from the League and assistance for Finland. The Committee's decision will have to be placed before the Assembly.

MORE U.S. HELP FOR FINLAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — President Roosevelt told a press conference yesterday that the American Red Cross is spending over half a million dollars for European relief, of which \$25,000 has been sent to Finland and \$16,000 has been applied for purchase of medicines in London for Finland.

FINNS DESTROY BUILDINGS

HELSINKI, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — The Finns today intensified their counter-offensive against the Russians in the threatened middle sector of Finland's war waist. Reinforcements reached the front line continuously and going straight into action.

The Russians are nowhere able to gain a foothold as the Finns destroy all buildings and houses before leaving.

There is no information as to which of the two parallel Soviet thrusts is winning in the push seaward but both have been reinforced with the Finns still numerically inferior.

It is believed that the Russians plan to effect a junction of these two army groups and make a combined push seaward at Oulu (Uleaborg) on the Gulf of Bothnia.

It is expected that crack Finnish troops will be transferred to this front.

SOVIET COMMUNIQUE

MOSCOW, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — Yesterday's Soviet War Communique again gives brief reports of the progress north of Lake Ladoga, but the bottle-neck between the north shore of Lake Ladoga and the chain of small lakes where the Finns have three prepared defensive lines is still not penetrated.

Russian troops are apparently still held up upon the Karelian Isthmus.

Observers in Moscow suspect that the Red Army attempted to rush the deep Finnish defences without adequate artillery preparation.

PUBLIC OPINION IN U.S. ON NEED FOR AIDING FINLAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — Public opinion in the United States against Soviet Russia is rising. Thousands are attending mass meetings of protest and contributions are pouring into the Finnish Fund, which is under the aegis of Mr. Herbert Hoover, former President.

THE REAL QUESTION

Typical of press comment is that of the New York Times, which says that the real question is not how many eloquent resolutions will be passed praising Finland and condemning Russia, but how many guns the Finns can acquire. Finland needs aeroplanes and ammunition.

NEUTRALITY ACT

The fighting there is not war within the meaning of the present Neutrality Act and United States is not barred, under the Johnson Act, which forbids loans to countries defaulting their war debts, from making loans to Finland.

The United States hopes that ways will be found to give prompt aid where it is most needed.

PEACE PROPOSALS THROUGH ITALY?

ROME, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — The Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, is to make his keenly awaited speech on foreign affairs on Saturday morning.

There is increasing speculation on the likely trend, with persistent rumours that he will indicate new peace proposals with Germany's approval.

To promote the sale of National Economy Savings Certificates, a branch promotion committee has been established at Kwelyang. The certificates are issued by the Postal Bank and are on sale at all post offices. Messrs. Wang I-so and Wang Wei-chung, special delegates of the Postal Bank who were responsible for the organization of the promotion committee here, left for Kwangsi and Kwangtung yesterday to organize similar branch committees at the two provinces. —(Central News)

ARGENTINE APPLICATION
GENEVA, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — The application of Article 18 of the League Covenant, which would mean Russia's expulsion, was asked for by the representative of the Argentine Government at the meeting of the League of Nations Assembly this morning.

It is expected that other South American States will support the Argentine attitude.

The British Foreign Under-Secretary (Mr. R. A. Butler) and M. Paul Boncour are expected to speak later today for Britain and France, respectively.

Senor Freyre, the Argentine delegate, said, "Disdaining even an outward form of legality, the aggressor has denied she is at war and to this end has referred to normal relations she maintains with a puppet government set up by herself. The Soviet, therefore, has placed itself outside of the Covenant."

The Argentine delegate concluded by declaring his Government's unalterable decision to consider itself no longer a member of the League as long as the Soviet was able to claim such membership.

Finland, South Africa and Bolivia have been elected members of the League Council.

R.A.F. SECURITY PATROLS

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — The Air Ministry announces that the R.A.F. security patrols were continuously maintained last night over the German mine-laying aircraft bases at Heligoland Bight.

Puppet Celebrate Second Year Of N. China Slavery

PEIPING, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — The second anniversary celebrations of the Peiping "Provisional Government" are scheduled to take place here tomorrow.

It is learned that three high officials of the Nanking "Reformed Government" are to fly here today to participate in the celebrations. They are Liang Hing-chih, president of the Executive Yuan of the "Reformed Government," Chen Chun, Minister of the Interior, and Wen Tsung-yao, president of the Legislative Yuan.

The three visitors, it is learned, are also members of the United Council of the "Provisional" and "Reformed Governments" and are coming to attend the seventh meeting to be held in Peiping on Dec. 15 and 16.

Chinese reports state that a united political council will be set up by the United Council to discuss concrete measures for the establishment of the projected Central Government.

The sources, however, do not expect anything concrete to emerge from these discussions.

It is well-known that officials of the Peiping "Provisional Government" look with disfavour on the formation of the "Central Government" owing to the fact that it would mean the transfer of political power of the North China regime to Nanking.

ARMY OPPOSITION

In addition, certain circles declare that there is not a little opposition from the Japanese Army in North China to the formation of a Central regime and some sections of the Army regard Wang Ching-wei as the proposed leader of the Central regime with disfavour.

In view of the obstacles, not too much importance is being attached to the forthcoming talks. They will, however, be watched with interest to see if they will bring the possibility of an early, or even the eventual formation of the "Central Government" nearer.

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Life In Warsaw Today Is "By Permission" Only: Tragic Picture Of Ghostlike City

NEW YORK, Dec. 13 (Reuter) — An American correspondent has given a tragic picture of Warsaw today. Some 75 per cent. of the buildings are either completely destroyed or damaged by relentless bombings. The walls of some of the buildings are now being pulled down and those still fit for human habitation add to the ghostlike appearance of the city, because their windows are all boarded up or patched with glass from picture frames.

"BY PERMISSION"
There is rubbish in the streets and the pavements have been torn up in places. In wet weather even walking in the streets is difficult. There are long queues waiting outside the various offices giving permission for this or that, for life in Warsaw today is "by permission" only.

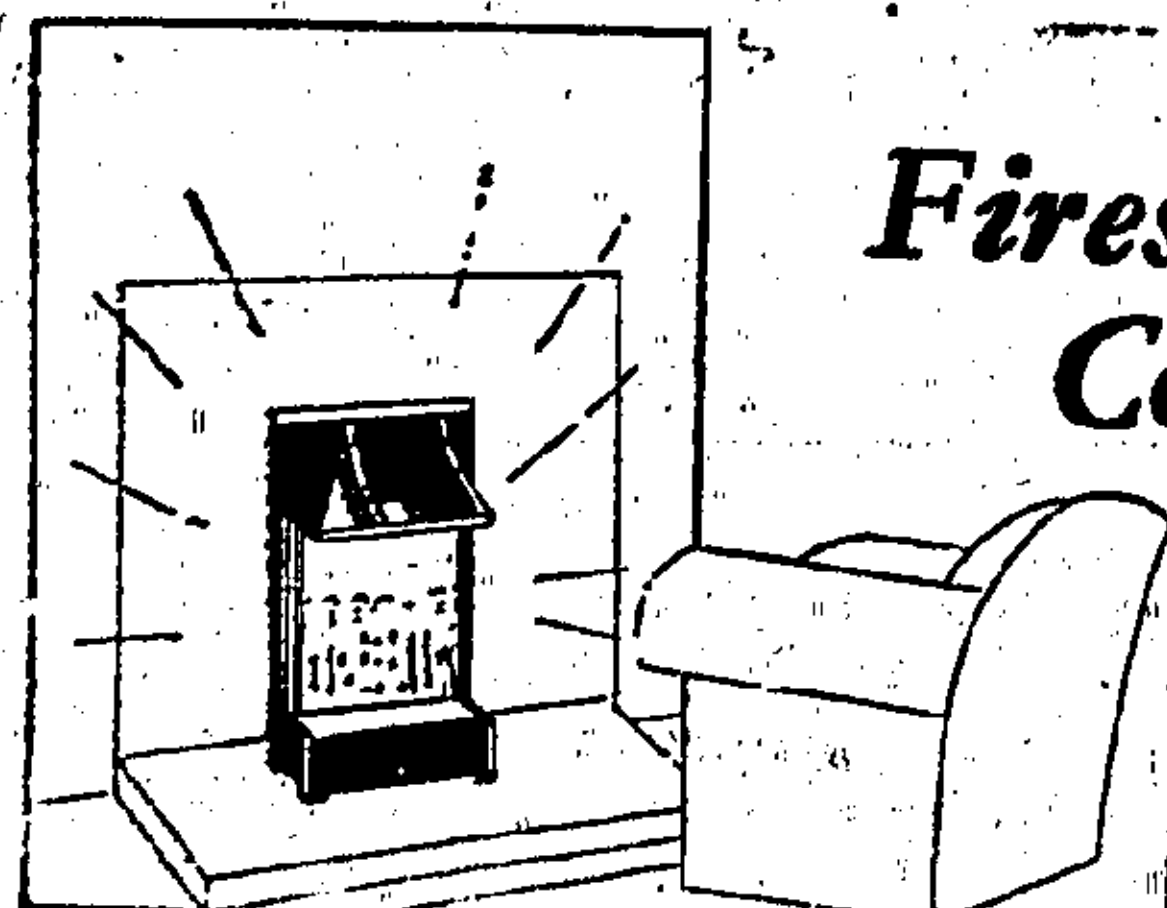
FOOD PRICES
The prices of food have gone up three to six times and only a short while ago a loaf of bread cost eight shillings. Curfew is at 7 p.m., after which hour only Nazi soldiers may be seen on the darkened streets.

REWARD GIVEN TO MAGISTRATE

SHUE KWAN, KWANGTUNG, Dec. 13 (Central) — Gen. Li Han-yun, Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, yesterday wired to Mr. Che Shu-mu, magistrate of Yaoping, East Kwangtung, commending him for capturing some 200 Japanese and puppet troops, including Lin Chi-yen, so-called chief of staff of the Japanese-sponsored "National Reconstruction Army". A reward of \$10,000 was given to the militia under his command.

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China Reaping Dividends From Disaster: No Thought Of Defeat: New Unity

CHUNGKING, DEC. 13 (CENTRAL).—"WHILE THEY (THE CHINESE) HAVE PATIENTLY LET THE WAR GO ON AT ITS OWN SLOW PACE, THEY HAVE HAD NO SENSE OF IMPENDING DEFEAT AND HAVE SYSTEMATICALLY GONE ABOUT THE BUILDING UP OF A NEW HINTERLAND OF INCALCULABLE RESOURCES, REAPING DIVIDENDS FROM DISASTER," said the Rev. A. E. Owen, of the United Church of Canada, in a broadcast on his impressions of Free China to America and Europe at the Central Broadcasting Station recently.

"Free China," Mr. Owen said, "has just reaped a bumper crop of rice, staple food of the people. Prices are high, but not proportionately as high as were the prices in England in 1916."

LITTLE WANT
"With the exception of the poor, who, unfortunately, are always with us, there is very little serious want. It is all too true that we have grave war-orphan and refugee problems which are making demands on all. These are daily revealing in the lives of the people vast hidden resources of heart, mind and spirit."

The speaker praised the efforts of Madame Chiang Kai-shek and her associates in caring for the war-orphans, a task "that baffles conception."

On the other hand, the presence of the vast refugee problem "indicates something of the amazing spirit of the Chinese who prefer to breathe the air of free China rather than live under the oppressive conditions of the occupied areas."

ERRONEOUS PICTURE

Mr. Owen corrected an erroneous picture painted by Japanese propaganda abroad, that the people are harried and anxious with impending bombings. "Life here is normal," he reported. "We go about our business much as we did in pre-war days. Dug-outs have become an accepted part of

life and when occasion arises we go to them of course."

In this regard, he mentioned the country caves and dug-outs which have become class rooms where illiterates are taught the rudiments of learning and given lectures on civics and notes and national and international questions. "In a very real way the air-raid warning has come to be the school bell calling the people to new lessons."

STRANGE PARADOX

He also spoke of "that almost unbelievable migration of China's great schools of learning into the interior," adding: "Here we are face to face with a strange paradox—a courageous people reaping dividends from disaster."

"Already Chungking is planning an almost phenomenal expansion. From the ashes of this summer's holocaust is rising a new city of modern thoroughfares. Progress, with an eye to the future is abroad in the air. I find no defeatism here. There is no thought of defeat."

With many of their finest cities taken and laid waste, with memories of much cruel suffering still with them there is, I say, no sense of defeat. The truth is, they feel they have done very well."

A NEW UNITY

Mr. Owen pertinently remarked that Chinese resistance is not "a riot of hate."

"The people in free China, amid ruins and considerable need," he concluded, "have found a new unity and a new spirit and have suddenly become enthused with the thought that they have taken their place, a foremost place, in that family of nations which seeks freedom with integrity."

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PROGRESS OF WAR IN THE AIR

ADVANTAGE HELD BY R.A.F.

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—Reviewing the progress of air warfare in the House of Commons yesterday, the Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, said that British fighter squadrons, regular and auxiliary, had taken a heavy toll of such enemy planes as had tried to cross our air defences and they could justifiably claim definite superiority in our aircraft over the Germans.

DECISIVE MARGIN

Our Hurricanes and Spitfires had been in contact with Dornier, Junkers and Heinkel bombers in turn and there could be no doubt that they possessed a decisive margin of advantage.

The Air Minister added that even more encouraging was the knowledge of the superiority they had shown over German fighters.

The Coastal Command had tried out attacks on submarines on fifty-seven occasions and in nineteen cases they were sure that substantial damage had been caused.

STOLE FLOWERS AT FUNERAL

"Haven't you any shame to steal at a funeral?" asked Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday of Lam Poon, 17, unemployed, who was charged with stealing a quantity of flowers and artificial leaves at a funeral procession.

Sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed.

RE-ARRESTED ON MURDER CHARGE

A cook boy, Hui Fuk-sing, formerly employed on board the s.s. Seistan, who charged with the murder of a coolie near the Douglas Wharf on October 30, and who was discharged by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court on Saturday, was re-arrested and appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest yesterday charged with the same crime.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor will conduct the prosecution at the re-hearing.

A formal remand of the week was granted.

NEWSETTES

Amongst the passengers who left Hongkong yesterday was Mrs. A. V. Evans.

The Secretary for Dominion Affairs, Mr. Anthony Eden, entertained Mr. J. V. Fairbairn, Minister for Air in the Commonwealth Government at luncheon on Tuesday. (BWS).

According to a Parliamentary answer, seventeen M.P.'s are serving in the Royal Air Force.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, was received in audience by H.M. the King at Buckingham Palace on Tuesday evening.

At the Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group on Sunday at 9 p.m. Prof. L. Forster, M.A., will speak on "Why Britain Is At War."

The Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild will hold a Jumble Sale tomorrow at 3 p.m.

AIRPORT NEWS

Imperial Airways:

NORTHBOUND
Friday: Bangkok, Hanol, Hongkong.
Della—4 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND
Sunday: Hanol, Bangkok.
Denebola—7 a.m.

NORTHBOUND
Wednesday: France, Hanol, Hongkong.
Service—4 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND
Thursday: Hanol, France.
Service—6 a.m.

Pan American Airways.

EASTBOUND
Monday: U. S. A., Manila, Hongkong.

Honolulu Clipper—2 p.m.

WESTBOUND
Monday: Manila, U.S.A.
Honolulu Clipper—8.30 a.m.

HOTEL CECIL ARREST: HEAVY BAIL

Perhaps the heaviest bail ever in the Colony's history was fixed at the Central Court yesterday when four men appeared before Mr. R. Edwards charged with the unlawful possession of a large quantity of drugs.

The accused were Wong Tai, 45, Ng Shiu-hon, 47, Wong Yuen, 32 and Wong Ngai, 35, who were arrested in a room in Hotel Cecil on Monday.

Mr. C. Y. Kwan, who appeared for the defence, applied for bail when a remand of seven days was granted.

Acting Chief Preventive Officer A. W. Grimmett opposed bail, or "at least \$100,000 each."

CHINESE WEDDING AT CATHEDRAL

Against a background of rich splendour, Miss Clara S. C. Yeung was married to Mr. John H. L. Kwee in St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon.

The bride, Miss Yeung, is the eldest daughter of Mr. C. N. Yeung, of Hongkong. In the bridal procession, attending Miss Yeung, were Misses L. Cheong, Angeline To and Chan Yuk-wing. The flower girl was Miss Sylvia Go and, acting as page boy, was Miss Gloria Go.

The groom, Mr. Kwee, is the sixth son of Mr. T. M. Kwee. Attending the groom were Messrs. Tap Tjong-siong and Tan Tjong-tjoc.

A largely attended reception was held later at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden.

A.R.P. ORDERS

A.R.P. Orders issued by Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions.

A.R.P. EXAMINATIONS
Training:—Examinations for Air Raid Wardens and Air Raid Warden Instructors will be held at the Club Lusitano and Wah Yan College at 5.45 p.m. on the following dates:—

December 27, General Warden and Instructors' Paper Part I; December 28, Instructors' Part II; December 29, Instructors' Part III.

Any candidates, other than those already detailed, wishing to take these examinations should send their names to the director of Air Raid Precautions, A.R.P. Department.

A.R.P. LECTURES

In Chinese:—Yau-mat Government School, Nathan Road, Kowloon. Tues. and Fri. 7.30 p.m. commencing on Dec. 22. Lecturer:—Miss Lo Wai Man, L.A.G.I.

Chinese Chamber of Commerce, 65 Connaught Road, Central. Tues. and Fri. at 7.30 p.m. Lecturer:—Mr. Fung Yam Leung, L.A.R.P.S. H. W. Leyden, Warden Instructor.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., December 13.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.37 ins.

Temperature, 61 F.

Humidity, 51 per cent

Wind Direction, N.E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Temperature: maximum yesterday, 65 F.

Temperature, minimum last night, 55 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m. today, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 88.70 ins.

Against an average of, 84.51 ins.

Sunset to-night, 5.40 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.54 a.m.

4 p.m., December 13.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.24 ins.

Temperature, 66 F.

Humidity, 44 per cent

Wind Direction, N.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Maximum temperature, 68 F.

Minimum temperature, 55 F.

Rainfall, 0.00.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 14 to 20 Dec. 1939

HIGH WATER. **LOW WATER.**

Day of Week Day of Month Hong Kong Standard Time Height Day of Month Hong Kong Standard Time Height

Thur. 14 12.55 4.8 06.42 3.2

Fri. 15 13.27 4.8 06.22 1.4

Sat. 16 13.21 4.9 06.09 4.2

Sun. 17 13.48 5.0 05.42 2.0

Mon. 18 15.15 4.9 05.25 4.5

Tue. 19 00.22 5.0 05.34 3.4

Wed. 20 01.07 5.0 05.09 2.7

Thur. 21 01.48 5.3 04.08 4.8

Fri. 22 02.11 5.0 03.07 3.9

Sat. 23 02.15 5.0 02.46 4.1

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BREAKFAST

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Coffee

LUNCHEON

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Beet Salad
Liver and Bacon
Hashed Potatoes
Brussel Sprouts
Carrots
Prune Cake
Tea

DINNER

Crab Cocktail
Pineapple and Cream Cheese Salad
Roast Turkey
Dressing
Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Onions
Cauliflower
Mint Jelly
Coffee
Assorted Cheese and Crackers

Finance and Commerce

Administrative Programme For Szechwan Promulgated

CHENG TU, Dec. 12 (Central).—A nine-point administrative programme for Szechwan, outlined by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek who is concurrently Governor of the province, has been promulgated.

The nine points are peace preservation and bandit suppression, opium suppression, civil service, local autonomy, finance and currency, land administration, health economic reconstruction and education.

In regard to peace preservation and bandit suppression, the programme provides for the whole-sale reorganisation of the province's police forces and the effective distribution of the Peace Preservation Corps. It also calls for the eradication of bandits.

Opium suppression is to be expedited. An investigation into the exact number of opium addicts is to be completed within three months. Clinics for opium addicts, capable of accommodating from 500 to 1,000 inmates, will be established in every hien. Cultivation of poppy, hoarding of and traffic in opium are to be strictly prohibited.

CIVIL SERVICE

Efficiency in the civil service will be increased and a certain degree of local autonomy will be encouraged, according to the scheme.

Regarding the province's finance and currency, the programme calls for the institution of budgetary, accounting, auditing and public treasury systems. Taxation and financial administration will be improved.

The programme sets five years as the time limit for the completion of land surveying in the whole province.

In regard to health administration, the plan provides for the establishment of hospitals in the border regions, the training of veterinarians and the increase of the production of serums.

PLANNING BOARD

In the field of economic reconstruction, a Production Planning Board will be organised; factories will be established to manufacture necessities. The establishment of consumers' co-operatives will be encouraged.

Aside from serving for irrigation, the main waterways in the province will be opened for navigation. Dams will be built. A network of long distance telephone lines will be laid. A Szechwan Industrial Development Bank will be opened.

As regards education, a middle school centre will be established and free and mass education promoted.

RURAL CREDIT FOR HONAN
LOYANG, Dec. 12 (Central).—A sum of \$8,000,000 will be advanced to promote agricultural production in Honan by the Farmers Bank of China. An

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, Dec. 12 (Reuter). Silver—India and speculators bought. Business small. Market steady. In the afternoon, the market was firm, with small Indian buying at 1/18 over the fixed rate. The market closed with buyers at the rate and sellings holding off.

Spot, 23-7/16d.
Forward, 23-5/8d.

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, Dec. 12 (Reuter). Official Price, 34-3/4.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Dec. 12 (Reuter). Market—Steady. Offtake 100 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 92-04
Jan. 6 Settlement 92-08
Feb. 3 Settlement 93-04

agreement for the loan has been signed between the Bank and the Reconstruction Department of the Honan Provincial Government, and Mr. Liu Ming-fu, the Bank's representative, has arrived in Loyang surveying conditions.

As one of the agents for government treasuries, the Farmers Bank will establish a number of agencies throughout Honan. Sixty of the bank's staff are being trained to handle the new work.

ECONOMY IN FUEL

Recently attention was drawn to the developments that have taken place recently in the use of producer gas in internal combustion engines, the gas being derived from anthracite coal of the type most suitable for the purpose.

It is of interest to users of motor vehicles who are likely to experience difficulty in obtaining their supplies of petrol or oil but it may be useful to point out that its use is by no means confined to such applications.

Now that motor units are being used for powering small factories and works and for driving machinery of different sorts on plantations and farms it may be pointed out that equally satisfactory results can be obtained under those conditions, and that anthracite or low temperature coke may be utilised.

In that connection it may be noted that the Brush Electrical Engineering Co., Ltd., has acquired the patents and taken over the manufacture of a system which will be known for the future as the Brush-Keola gas producer. It has been tested under conditions in all parts of the world, including the 8,000-mile journey of a vehicle so equipped which went from London to India, including Persia, Iraq and Afghanistan. We learn that a number of the plants have already been shipped overseas and are being successfully operated.

Apart from the fact that it

EXCHEQUER RETURNS

LONDON, Dec. 13 (BWS).—Exchequer returns show that the total ordinary revenue amounts to £274,898,000, compared with £237,888,000 at the corresponding date of last year.

Total expenditure, less re-balancing items, is £781,789,472, compared with £695,192,858 a year ago.

Floating debt outstanding on Dec. 9 was £1,472,975, a net increase of £552,865,000 since the beginning of the financial year and against £1,018,000 at the corresponding date of 1938.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Dec. 12 (Reuter).

TIN	buyers	sellors
Standard, Cash	£2	272-1/2
Standard, 3 months	268	268-1/2
Standard, Settlement Price	—	272-1/2
Straits	—	292-1/2

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HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE				SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION			
Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
WED., 13. DEC.							
Banks							
\$1330			H.K. Bank				\$1340
		28 1/4	Do. (Col. Reg.)				28 1/4
		28 1/4	Do. (Col. Reg.)				28 1/4
		8	Chartered Bank				28 1/4
		22 1/2	Mercantile Bk. "A"				28
		21 1/2	Mercantile Bk. "O"				27 1/2
\$72			Bank of East Asia	\$72			21 1/2
			N. C. & S. Bank				50 cts.
			Insurance				
		\$250	Canton Insurance	\$210			
		\$400	Union Insurance	\$395			\$400
		\$19	Underwriters		\$1		
		\$190	H.K. Fire				\$185
			Shipping				
\$7 1/2			Douglas				\$71
\$80 1/2			Steamboats				\$81
\$50			Indo-China (Prof.)				\$90
			Indo-China (Def.)				\$50
		79 1/4	Shells				79 1/4
		\$8.10	Waterboats				\$8
			Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
\$4.40			H.K. & K. Wharves				\$101
			Providents (new)	\$4.30			
\$19.10		\$19.10	H.K. & W. Docks	\$19.10			
		\$19.20	Do. (new)				\$195
		\$19.20	Shanghai Docks				\$17.90
			New Engineering B.				
		17/0	Mining				17/6
		\$10 1/4	Kailans				\$10.50
		\$4	Raubs				\$10.40
		4 cts.	Venezuela Gold Fide				\$3
			Hong Kong Mines				
			Lands, Hotels and Buildings				
\$4.70	\$4.90		H.K. Hotels	\$4.75			
\$33 1/2			H.K. Lands				\$33 1/2
		\$10	Do. 4% Debentures				100 1/2
\$4.30			Shanghai Lands B.				\$10.40
\$7 1/2			H.K. Realities				\$4.40
			Humphreys				\$7.90
		\$100	Chinese Estates				
			Cotton Mills				
		\$27	Ewo (S.)				\$25 1/2
		\$182	Shai Cottons (S.)				\$182
		\$42	Zoong Sings (S.)				\$42
		\$48 1/2	Wing On Textiles (S.)				\$100
			Public Utilities				
\$16 1/2			Tramways	\$16.40			
		\$8	Peak Trams (old)				\$8
\$96			Peak Trams (new)				\$4
\$23 1/2			Star Ferries				\$87 1/2
			Y-mat Ferries				\$93 1/2
			Do. (new)				
\$8		\$7.90	China Lights (O)				\$7.90
\$4 1/2			China Lights (N)				7.90/8
\$9 1/2			China Lights (B)				\$4.9
\$4 1/2			H.K. Electric				\$52
\$52			Macao Electric				\$52
\$11 1/2		\$18 1/2	Sandakan Lights				\$18 1/2
\$24 1/2			Telephones (old)				\$24 1/2
\$8.60		\$8 1/2	Telephones (new)				\$8 1/2
		18/3	Traction				17.9
		18/9	Traction (pref.)				
		\$14.90	Industrials				
		\$13	Cald, Macg. (Ord.) S.				
		\$1	Cald, Macg. (Pref.) S.				
\$16.10		\$15	Canton Iron				\$15.90
\$6 1/2			Cement				\$6 1/2
			Ropes				
\$80 1/2			Miscellaneous				
\$102		\$10 1/2	Dairy Farm (Old)				\$20 1/2
\$69			Dairy Farm (New)				\$19 1/2
\$12			Ch. S'nam				\$5.35
			Constructions (old)				\$1.76
		\$1	Constructions (new)				
		\$7 1/4	Lane Crawford				\$8
			Nanyang Tobacco				\$4
		\$1.80	Sinoceres				\$2.00
\$8.60		\$8.40	Watsons				\$8.40
		47 1/2	Ch. G. S. 1920-21				47 1/2
		\$100	H.K. Gov. 4% Loan				100 1/2
		\$97 1/2	H.K. Gov. 5% Loan				97 1/2
		\$4 1/2	H.K. Wing On				\$4 1/2
		\$4	Shai Wing On				\$4
		\$6 1/2	Vibro Piling				\$6 1/2
		14/9	Marsman Inv. (L.H.)				\$14 1/2
		4/0	Marsman Inv. (H.K.)				\$4
		31	Wm. Powells				\$31
			*Sales to Shanghai				

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

The session was too short for the market to get properly going, however the transactions reported indicate the market continues steady.

BUYERS

H.K. Bank, \$1330.
Bank of East Asia, \$72.
Union Ins., \$395.
Douglases, \$714.
Docks, \$19.20.
H. & S. Hotels, \$4.
Lands, \$334.
Humphreys, \$72.
Realities, \$4.30.
Chinese Estates, \$102.
Tramways, \$18.
Star Ferries, \$66.
Yau-nat Ferries, \$234.
China Lights (O), \$8.
China Lights (N), \$44.
Electric, \$52.10.
Sandakan Lights, \$114.
Telephones (O), \$24.
Telephones (N), \$8.60.
Cements, \$16.10.
Ropes, \$52.
Dairy Farms (O), \$204.
Dairy Farms (N), \$192.
Watsons, \$8.60.
Entertainments, \$64.
Constructions (O), \$12.

SELLERS

Providents, \$4.
Docks, \$19.
H. & S. Hotels, \$4.90.
Tramways, \$17.
Telephones (O), \$24.
Cements, \$164.
Dairy Farms (O), \$21.

SALES

Docks, \$19.20/50.
Providents, \$4.
Raubs, \$104.
H. & S. Hotels, \$4.80.
Chinese Estates, \$102.
China Lights (O), \$8.
Telephones (O), \$24.
Cements, \$16.10.
Watsons, \$8.70.

MANILA GOLD SHARES

Atoks 18 1/2, Antamok 15 1/2, Bagulo Gold 15 1/2, Batong Buhay 0110b, Big Wedge 20 1/2, Coco Grove 16s, Con. Mines 0025s, Demonstration 10s, East Mindanao 10 1/2, I. K. L. 41s, Ipo Gold 14 1/2, Itogon Mining 28s, Manulao Con. 014s, Masbate Con. 10s, Mind Motherlode 082s, Mine Operation 064b, North Camarines 14b, Paracale Gummaus 19b, San Mauricio 78s, Surigao Con. 18 1/2, Suyoc Con. 13s, Syndicate Inv. 012b, United Paracale 31 1/2.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume Of Business Transacted on Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1939.
Raubs 200 \$ 10.40
Raubs 1,000 10.50
Raubs 1,000 10.60
Providents 1,000 4.50
H.K. Docks 500 19.30
Entertainments 187 8.50
Unions 15 400.00
Cements 500 16.25
Cements 100 16.15
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Itogons 10,000 Ps. 0.274
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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS
DECEMBER 13, 1939

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	100 7/8
Bank Bills, on demand	100 7/8
Credits 4 months' sight	100 1/4
On Shanghai:—	
On demand	317
On Singapore:—	
On demand	32 3/4
On Japan:—	
On demand	103
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	89 1/2
On demand	89 1/2
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	24 3/16
Credits, 60 days' sight	24 15/16
On Batavia:—	
On demand	45 1/4
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1 80
Credits 4 months' sight	1 1145
On Saigon:—	
On demand	108 1/2
On Manila:—	
On demand	48 5/8
On Bangkok:—	
On demand	149 1/2
Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate	1/4
Bar Silver per oz.	53 7/16

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Silver prices rose 1/8 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 23 7/16 for Ready and 23 5/8 for Forward. Silver advances reported India and Speculators as having bought. The market was steady. Later India again bought to a small extent at 1/16 over the quoted rate. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402. New York-London was quoted at 392 5/8.

Market:
A shade steadier.
Sterling
Some business was reported at 1/3 December and also January. The market closed with sellers at 1/3 December. 1/231/32 January-March and 1/215/16 April-June, buyers at 1/31/32 Cash and 1/3 March.

U.S. Dollars
There were sellers at 24 1/2 Cash, 24 1/16 December, 24 1/4 January and 24 1/8 February, buyers at 24 9/16 Cash, 24 1/2 December, 24 3/8 January and 24 1/4 February.

Shanghai Dollars
At the opening there were sellers for Spot at 322. Towards the close sellers were quoted at 321 for Spot.

Shanghai Market
Sterling opened with sellers at 49/16. The market was a shade steadier towards the close and there were sellers at 44 1/4 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers for Spot at 7 15/32 and closed with sellers at 7 19/32 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Dec. 13 (Reuter).
Official T.T. Rates
London 0/4-1/4
New York 6-7/8
Jai 29-1/4
India 23-1/2
Paris 311
Hongkong 28-1/4

Sellers
Spot 0/4-9/16 0/4-41/64
Dec. 0/4-9/16 0/4-41/64
Jan. 0/4-25/64 0/4-3/8
U.S. Dollars
Spot 7-15/32 7-19/32
Dec. 7-7/16 7-9/16
Jan. 7-11/32 7-15/32
Market—Steady
Merchant Rates
Sterling, 0/4-19/32
U.S. Dollars, 7-1/2
Silver duty Rate
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d., unchanged from yesterday.
The Equalisation rate was 24-1/4 per cent.

Calcutta Exchange
Calcutta, Dec. 12 (Reuter).
T.T. on Japan, 80-3/4.

India Rupee Paper
Bombay, Dec. 12 (Reuter).
Government 3 1/2 Rupee, 87-12-0 nominal.

New York Exchange
New York, Dec. 12 (Reuter).
T.T. on London (Opening Rate), 302-3/4.

LONDON GOLD
London, Dec. 12 (Reuter).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 168.

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

SINGAPORE RUBBER			
Dec. 11	Dec. 12	buyers	Change
38-1/2	39-1/2	up 1 ct.	
37-1/8	38-1/2	up 1-3/8	
35	36-3/8	up 1-3/8	

The market was steady but quiet.

LONDON RUBBER			
Dec. 11	Dec. 12	buyers	Change
11-1/2	11-7/8	up 3/8	
11-9/16	12	up 7/16	
11-7/16	11-15/16	up 1/2	

NEW YORK COTTON: The mills are reported to be nervous due to the firm attitude of growers. December position was distinctly firm under the influence of the strength of Spots and covering by the Trade and by shorts. Heavy foreign buying was reported.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Further automobile pay increases and reports that tyre-fabric mills are operating at full capacity contribute to the favourable outlook.

CHICAGO WHEAT: The undertone of the market was firm. A feature was the strength of the December position, while the strength of cash wheat was a continued sustaining influence. Selling pressure was not great.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 147.05; Today's close, 148.93; Change, off 12.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(By Courtesy of Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz and S. F. Levy & Company)

New York Cotton, Mar.				
High	Low	Close	Change	
10.81	10.52	10.45	10.77	32 up
19.49	19.30	19.07	19.41b	34 up
95 1/4	94 1/4	94 1/4	95 1/4	1/2 up
55 1/4	54 1/4	55 1/4	56 1/4	1/2 off
15.33	15.04	15.01	15.29	28 up
NEW YORK COTTON				
Close	Opening	Closing	Change	
10.75/77	10.85/84	11.08/09	33 up	
10.89/89	10.82/82	11.05/05	36 up	
10.45/48	10.56/54	10.77/81	32 up	
10.10/14	10.15/16	10.48/47	36 up	
9.75/76	9.85/86	10.05/10	30 up	
9.95/95	10.09/08	10.29 N	34 up	
9.26/30	9.39/38	9.58/58	32 up	
10.85 N	—	11.21 N	36 up	
NEW YORK RUBBER				
December	20.00b/12a	20.48/48	48 up	
March	19.07/07	19.30/40	34 up	
May	18.65/65	19.00/18.90	30 up	
July	18.38/40	18.70/65	27 up	
September	18.27/29	18.50/50	23 up	
Note: December rubber, last notice day—27/12/39.				
Total sales for the day—2,190 tons.				
CHICAGO WHEAT				
December	96 1/2/96 1/2	98/98 1/2	1 1/2 up	
May	94 1/4/94 1/4	95 1/2/95 1/2	1 1/2 up	
July	92 1/2/92 1/2	93 1/2/93 1/2	1 1/2 up	
Monday's sales—35,315,000 bushels.				
CHICAGO CORN				
December	53 1/2/53 1/2	53 1/2/53 1/2	1 off	
May	55 1/2/55 1/2	55 1/2/55 1/2	1 off	
July	55 1/2/55 1/2	55 1/2/55 1/2	unch.	
WINNIPEG WHEAT				
December	79 1/2/79 1/2	80 1/2/80 1/2	1 up	
May	83 1/2 A	84 1/2/85	1 up	
July	84 1/2/84 1/2	86/86	1 1/2 up	
NEW YORK HIDES				
March	15.01/02	15.04/07	15.29/29	28 up
June	15.31/32	15.36/36	15.58/59	27 up
New York, Official	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4	
NY-London Cross Rate	3.93-1/4	3.92 5/8		

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, December 12.
The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red after 1952)	92-7/16
Canton-Kloon Rly. 5%	17
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan, 1888 (Brit. Issue)	55
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	47
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	45
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	25
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	34
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	12
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	55
Southern Rly. 5%	15
Sukang Rly. 5%, 1911	17
Sukang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	16
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	18
Shai-Ning Rly. 5%	20
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	14
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	14
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Loan)	14
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Loan)	14
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907	48
Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924	56
Ger. 7% Int'l. Loan, 1924	5
Chartered Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	82
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	85
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	17
Chosen Corporation	6/6
Pekin Syndicate	13
Shai Elec. Constr. Co.	12
Shai Waterworks "A"	12
Union Insurance	23
Gula Kalumpung Rubber	21/3
Allied Ironfounders	15/3
Asso. & Elec. Industries	39/3
Austin Motors, ord.	17/9
Cable & Wireless, New Form, ord.	57 1/4
B.A. Tob. (bearer)	89/4 1/2
Mercantile Bank	11 1/2
Cannell Laird, ord.	6/6
Mexican Eagle	6/7 1/2
Courtaulds	35/9
Distillers	63/9
Dunlop Rubber	28
Gen. Electric (England)	75/3

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATION

STOCKS			STOCKS		
Dec. 13, 1939			Dec. 13, 1939		
	Last Sale	Dec. 12		Last Sale	Dec. 12
Adams Express	82	Lakey Foundry & Mac.	.....	3 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	32	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	.....	48 1/2
Allied Stores	9 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	.....	31 1/2
Allis Chalmers	38	Loew's Inc.	.....	33 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	97 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	.....	28 1/2
Amerada Corp.		Manhattan Shirt Co.	.....
Amer. Can.	111 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	.....	38 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	30 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	.....
Amer. & Foreign Power	2 1/2	Monsanto Chemical	.....	103 1/2
Amer. & Foreign 7 1/2 pf.	24 1/2	Montgomery Ward	.....	53 1/2
American Gas & Elec.	37 1/2	National Aviation	.....	12 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	21 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	.....	15 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	24 1/2	Nat. Distillers	.....	23 1/2
Amer. Radiator	9 1/2	National Gypsum	.....	11 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	16 1/2	National Lead	.....	20 1/2
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	50	Nat. Power & Light	.....	8 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	20 1/2	National Steel Corp.	.....	7 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	170	Nat. Supply Corp.	.....	9 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	83 1/2	New York Central	.....	17 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	11 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	.....	6
Anaconda Copper	30	N. American Aviation	.....	24 1/2
Atchison, T. & S. Fe.	23 1/2	North American Co.	.....	21 1/2
Auburn Motors	2 1/2	Northern Pacific	.....	9
Baltimore & Ohio	5 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	.....	61 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	14 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	.....	32 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	12 1/2	Pacific Lighting	.....	47 1/2
Bendix Aviation	29 1/2	Packard Motors	.....	3 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	81 1/2	Paramount Pictures	.....	7 1/2
Bliss & Co.	15	Pennsylvania R.R.	.....	22
Boeing Airplane Co.	22 1/2	Phelps-Dodge	.....	39 1/2
Borg-Warner	24 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	.....	40
Biggs Manufacturing	22 1/2	Pittsburg Coke & Iron	.....	8 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	14 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	.....	39 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan 5 1/2	50 1/2	Pullman Inc.	.....	33 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way.	4 1/2	Pure Oil	.....	8 1/2
Case J. I.	71 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	.....	5 1/2
Celanese	27 1/2	Reading Company, Com.	.....	16 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	39 1/2	Reading Company, 1st pfd.	.....	25 *
Chrysler Corp.	86 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	.....	—
Chlor-Alkali Indus. Co.	47 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	.....	5 1/2
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	—	Republic Steel	.....	22 1/2
Columbia Gas & El.	6 1/2	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	.....	14 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pf.	85	Reynold Tobac. "B"	.....	37 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	45 1/2	Richfield Oil	.....	7 1/2
Com. & Southern (ord.)	1 1/2	Safeway Stores	.....	45 1/2
Commonwealth 5 1/2 cum. pfd.	—	Schenley Distillers	.....	12 1/2
Consolidated Edison	30 1/2	Schenley Distillers 5 1/2 pfd.	.....	—
Consolidated Oil	7 1/2	Sears Roebuck	.....	80
Continental Can.	42 1/2	Shell Union Oil	.....	12 1/2
Continental Oil	22	Socoany-Vacuum Oil	.....	11 1/2
Corn Products	62	Southern Pacific	.....	14 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	10 1/2	Southern Rly 5 1/2 pfd.	.....	33 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	28	Sperry	.....	45
Deere & Co.	22 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	.....	30 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	16 1/2	Standard Brands	.....	5 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	75 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	.....	2 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	178 1/2	Standard Oil of California	.....	24 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	11 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	.....	42 1/2
Easton Mfg. Co.	29	Stone & Webster	.....	11
Elec. Autolite	37	Studebaker Com.	.....	8 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	7 1/2	Swirt International	.....	31 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 5 1/2 pf.	57 *	Technicolor	.....	12
Elec. Bond & Share 6 1/2 pf.	67	Texas Corp.	.....	32 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 7 1/2 pf.	29 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	.....	42 1/2
Flintkote	20 1/2	Trans-America Co.	.....	6 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	55	20th Cent. Fox	.....	12
Gen. Electric	39 1/2	20th Cent. Fox 5 1/2 pf.	.....	22
Gen. Motors	53 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	.....	84 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	18 1/2	Union Pacific	.....	97 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	21 1/2	United Aircraft	.....	43 1/2
Glidden Co.	17	United Airlines Trans.	.....	14 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	19 1/2	United Corp.	.....	39
Goodrich 5 1/2 pf.	65 1/2	United Corp. 3 1/2 cum. pf.	.....	2 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	23 1/2	United Gas Corp.	.....	14
Great Northern Iron Ore	17 1/2	United Gas Improvement	.....	1 1/2
Great Northern Rly. pfd.	27 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	.....	22 1/2
Great Western Sugar	28 1/2	U.S. Rubber	.....	40 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	17	U.S. Rubber 3 1/2 pfd.	.....	106 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	87	U.S. Steel	.....	66 1/2
Homestead Mining	60 1/2	Vanadium	.....	6 1/2
International Harvester	60 1/2	Walworth Co.	.....	5 1/2
Int. Nickel	35	Warner Bros. Pict.	.....	3 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	4 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	.....	109 1/2
Johns-Manville	76	Woodward Ward	.....	23 1/2
J. & Laughlin Steel 7 1/2 pfd.	68	Chase National Bank	35 1/2
Kennecott Copper	37 1/2	National City Bank	28 *

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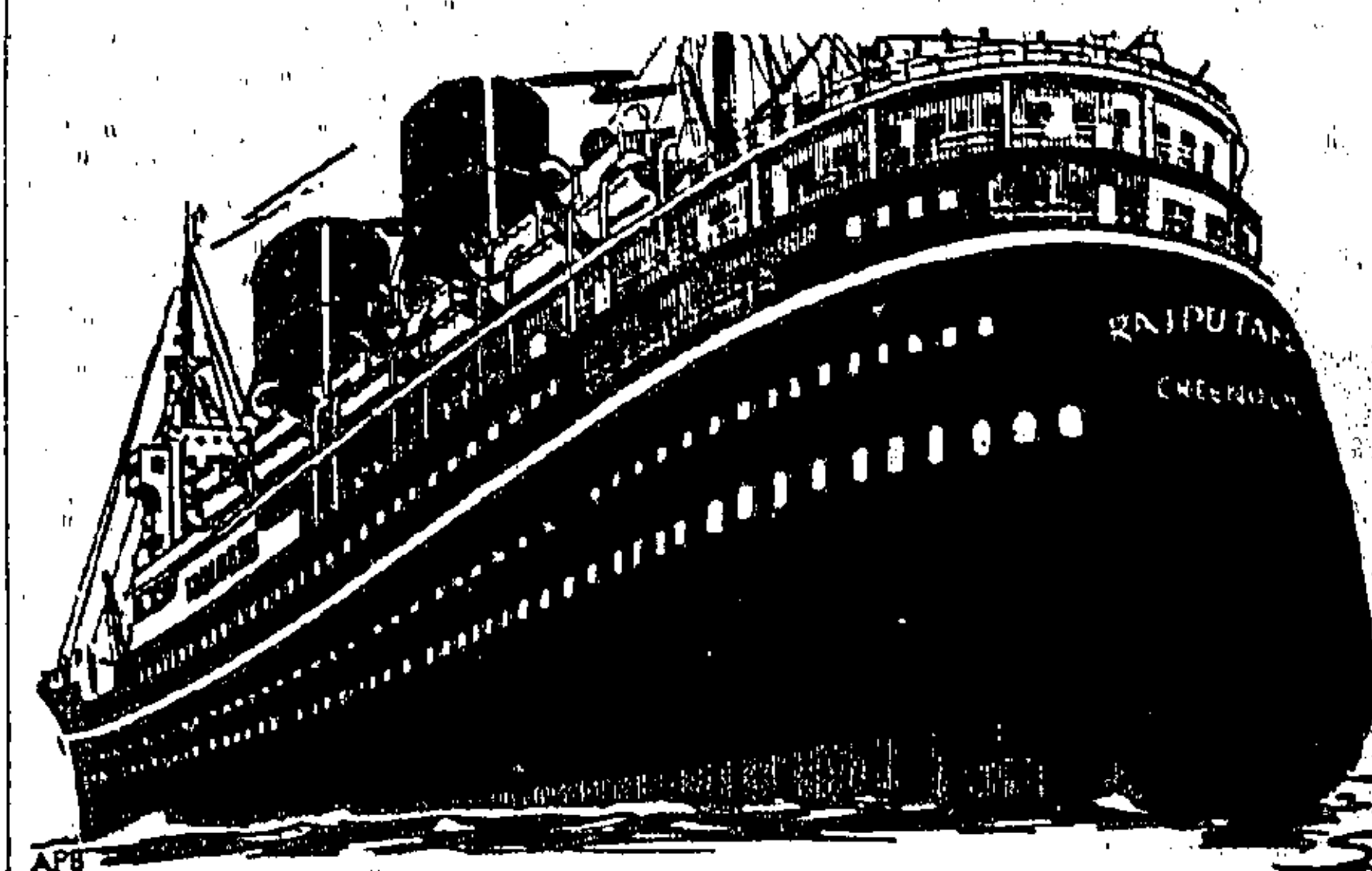
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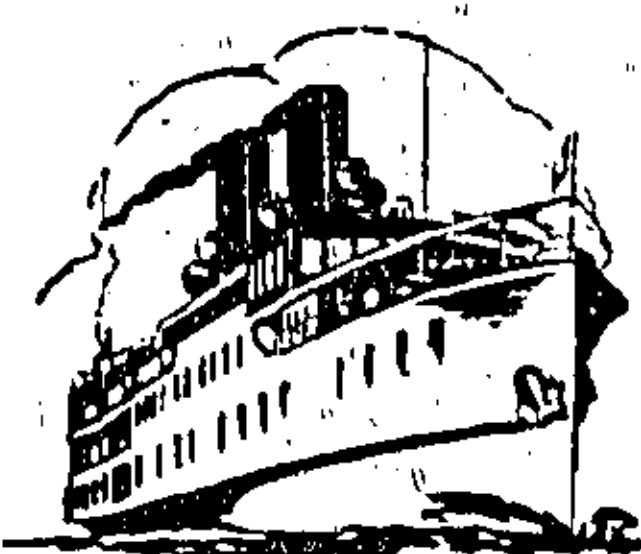
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SOCCER REVIEW

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Incidentally the goal was scored by Hau Ching-to who had netted Eastern's winning goal in their two previous matches.

Notwithstanding the superiority of the "Diehards" the game was quite interesting especially in the opening stages when play was more even. Middlesex seem to be still in their "unlucky spell" and, with better luck, might have won, the equalizer being scored very much against the run of play.

The forwards played a good and constructive game and were always a treat to watch when in motion. Pearson, Tait and Saw formed an admirable inside trio. Pearson, especially was in fine fettle, his head work being very pretty to watch.

Of the eastern team one player alone stood out above the rest, the centre-half, Hsu King sing. A tireless worker he was constantly on the move breaking up numerous dangerous Middlesex movements.

The forwards were again disappointing and even Hau Ching-to was not so much in the picture due to the fine work of Freshwater on the right-half.

NEW CENTRE FORWARD

KOWLOON introduced a new centre forward in their game against ST. JOSEPH'S. Taylor was not a great success as a leader and more often than not hampered rather than helped in an attacking movement.

Bell was the best of the forwards and gave a good display. Playing in a new position, at outside left, he showed promise of developing into a good winger. Williamson, back at the pivotal berth, quickly jumped into his old form and showed that as a defensive half-back he is second to none in local soccer at the present moment.

The Saints, though the losers, combined better as a team but lacked finishing power. This might have been brought about by Leonard having an "off-day." He was slow and failed to seize the opportunities created by Pereira.

Honniell was the best of a rather disjointed half-back line while Sammy Tsang, in goal, was not as safe as in previous games.

POLICE BEAT CLUB

POLICE, as expected, defeated CLUB by three goals to two. Police played the better game and pinned Club in their own half for the greater part of the game.

The Police forward line showed fine understanding and played their best game to date in the League. Odell was again prominent in goal and showed that, with more experience, he should develop into a first class goalkeeper.

INTERESTING GAME

On Sunday, at Causeway Bay, SOUTH CHINA "B" defeated the ROYAL NAVY by three goals to one in a game that at one time threatened to become another rough match. The players, however, later settled down to more steady football resulting in an interesting game being seen.

Owing to injuries and players having left the Colony the Senior Service was forced to make four changes in their line-up. Kellow and Wootton deputizing for Honeywell and Middleton at left-back and left-wing, respectively. The former was injured in a previous match and the latter has left the Colony. O'Regan played centre-half and Hazard centre-forward. Despite the changes, Navy played an improved game and were rather

NO, NO, NANETTE AT QUEEN'S THEATRE

Philharmonic Society's Unqualified Success

No, No, Nanette, that scintillating, sparkling musical comedy that was the rage of London during its record-breaking run at the Palace Theatre in 1925 proved an unqualified success when produced at the Queen's Theatre last night by the Hongkong Philharmonic Society in aid of the British War Organisation Fund.

Judging by the reception accorded the opening performance yesterday there is very promise that the delightful play with its fascinating musical numbers, intriguing dances executed by lovely girls and abundance of wit and humour, will continue to draw crowded house nightly throughout its short run which terminates on Saturday.

Jean Grier and Harry Cockle were the moving spirits of the whole show and made things go off "with a bang." They were ably supported by the rest of the cast among whom special mention should be

made of Doris Blair (Pauline), Anne Parkes (Jimmy's wife) and Willie Simpson (lawyer). The individual performances were altogether of a very high standard for amateurs and those responsible for the organisation, training and production are to be congratulated on the really brilliant turnout.

The production was staged by William Robertson and Surgeon Capt. G. V. Hobbs was musical director while the orchestration was in charge of Mr. H. B. Jordan, A.R.C.M. The dance and ensemble were arranged by Miss Carol Bateman, until recently of Shanghai.

TESTING EGYPT'S DEFENCES

CAIRO, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—British and Egyptian land, sea and air forces are now engaged side by side in combined exercises for testing Egypt's defences.

A test black-out was held on Monday night over the whole of Lower Egypt and the Canal Zone, where the exercises are taking place.

U.S. SUBMARINE DEFECTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—The United States submarine, Sea Dragon, sister ship of the ill-fated Squalus, has had to put back to her base with her electrical equipment partly flooded, due to circumstances apparently similar to the cause of the Squalus disaster.

"Nothing could be more foolish than to underestimate the task Britain has undertaken," declared Mr. Anthony Eden, addressing the Canadian Club luncheon in London. He added: "I don't believe that at any time in history we have had more serious difficulties to overcome, but if that is true, it is no less true that in the unity of the nations of the British Commonwealth is the final guarantee of victory."—(Reuter).

Unlucky on several occasions in not scoring. After O'Regan was transferred back to the leader's berth the forwards were seen in better combinative movements, but the breaking up of the Thorburn Middleton left flank robbed it of much of its effectiveness. South China "B" were not so impressive, Cheung Wing-choi kept goal brilliantly though he was hard pressed in the closing minutes. Yeung Shui-yuk, Lam Tak-po and Chan Tak-fai were the best among the forwards.

PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGE

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—The Secret Session of the House of Commons, which is being held today, raised a point of Parliamentary privilege, when the Liberal Member, Mr. Dingle Foot, asked the Speaker yesterday, whether it was a fact that any member who repeated outside, even in private conversation, anything said in the House during the Secret Session would be guilty of a breach of privilege.

In his reply, citing authorities, the Speaker said that a member who so acted would be wilfully disobeying the order of the House and thereby committing a gross breach of privilege, rendering himself liable to such penalties as were within the power of the House to inflict by reprimand, commitment to prison or, in an extreme case, expulsion from the House.

TULSA DEFEAT THE CHAMPS

A friendly bowling match was played between U. S. S. Tulsa and The Champs last evening at the Hongkong Bowling Alleys, resulting in a win for the former by 212 pins. The highest individual aggregate score for the match was made by W. Michaels of the Tulsa with 835 pins.

Scores as follow:—
U. S. S. Tulsa: W. Michaels 835, F. Spenko 824, Pete Peterson 771 and Al Schreier 752, Total 3182.
The Champs: Dick Venezia 701, Doc Molthen 788, Chas. Miller 713 and Gene Faggiapo 678. Total 2970.

HOCKEY CHATTER

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A competent reserve. Two of last year's full backs are available. They are Tam Kwong-ye and D. C. Leow. Newcomers to the defence who will be tried out are S. S. Chin, N. H. Low and N. W. Low.

Though S. H. Ling is the only half-back returning, the crop of newcomers includes Walter Abraham, a half-back with a reputation in State hockey in Malaya, S. Mahmood, R. M. Soares, P. K. Hui and M. S. Lim. Hans Raj, the University Hockey captain, will lead the attack while also available from last year will be K. S. Oh and L. H. Tan. There are also two newcomers who will be serious contenders for places on the forward line—L. G. Gosano and V. Lingam.

The Royal Engineers, who at present are in the lead and will certainly finish in the top half of the League Table, we learn, are making every endeavour to play off as many games as possible before the New Year. The Sappers fear that transfers after Christmas may take a heavy toll of their better players, and it would be a sporting gesture for teams who have not yet played them to arrange for Tournament fixtures as early as possible.

Another Hockey League has been started among the Small Units and it is to be known as the Small Units League. Participating teams are the R.A.S.C., R.A.O.C., R.A.M.C., the Royal Corps of Signals, the 24th Fortress Co., Royal Engineers, and the 40th Fortress Co., R. E. after.

HOW GIANT NAZI LINER BREMEN ESCAPED FROM BRITISH SUBMARINE

INTERNATIONAL LAW RESPECTED

BERLIN, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—It was announced yesterday that the Nazi liner, Bremen, safely reached a German port.

LINER SIGHTED

LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—The Admiralty announced yesterday afternoon that British respect for international law saved the giant German liner Bremen.

The Bremen, it will be recalled, left New York three days before war was declared and managed to get safely through to the Soviet Arctic port of Murmansk, since when nothing had been heard of her.

Yesterday, however, the Admiralty announced that a British submarine had sighted her homeward bound. The Bremen passed within torpedo range, but the submarine was prevented by inter-

national law from torpedoing her without warning.

The Bremen, it learned, was sighted yesterday morning.

International law forbids the sinking of merchant ships unless all the people on board can first be placed in a place of safety and open boats in an open sea are not places of safety. The submarine obviously could not take all those in the Bremen on board. It also could not capture the Bremen which has a far higher turn of speed.

SWEDISH SHIP SINKS
STOCKHOLM, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—The 1,400-ton Swedish ship Torno struck a mine in Swedish territorial waters and sank. All those on board have been rescued.

NORTH SEA SINKING
LONDON, Dec. 13 (Reuter).—The motor vessel King Egbert was sunk in the North Sea after an explosion early yesterday. One member of the crew believed to have been drowned, but the remaining thirty-two members and the pilot took to the boats and were picked up by a neutral ship, which later transferred them to an east coast lifeboat.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 14th DECEMBER, 1939, 9.30 A.M.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

Christmas and New Year Cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, i.e. 5 cents per 2 ounces, for all countries.

Hongkong, China and Macao at 2 cents per 2 ounces. Envelopes must not be closed.

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Straits	14th Dec.
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Manila	14th Dec.
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"	
London date, 6th Dec.	15th Dec.
Canton	15th Dec.
Shanghai	15th Dec.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 19th November)	15th Dec.
Shanghai	16th Dec.
Shanghai	16th Dec.
Manila	16th Dec.
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London date, 9th Dec.	17th Dec.
Haliphong	17th Dec.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	17th Dec.
Haliphong	17th Dec.
Straits	18th Dec.
Shanghai	18th Dec.
Air Mail by "Pan American Air-ways Direct Service"—San Francisco Date 5th December.	
Straits and Manila	18th Dec.
Japan and Shanghai	18th Dec.
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Amoy	20th Dec.
Straits	20th Dec.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 13th November)	20th Dec.
Straits	20th Dec.
Java and Manila	20th Dec.
Rabaul	20th Dec.
U.S.A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco, date 22nd November)	21st Dec.
Australia and Manila	21st Dec.
Australia and Manila	21st Dec.
Shanghai	22nd Dec.
Straits	22nd Dec.
Japan	22nd Dec.
Japan and Shanghai	22nd Dec.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 18th November)	23rd Dec.
Shanghai and Amoy	23rd Dec.
Japan	24th Dec.
Calcutta and Straits	24th Dec.
Japan and Shanghai	25th Dec.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	26th Dec.
London and Straits	26th Dec.
Manila	26th Dec.
Manila	26th Dec.
Straits	26th Dec.
Japan and Shanghai	27th Dec.

OUTWARD MAILS

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For	Date and Time
THURSDAY	
Sandakan	Thu. 14th 8.30 AM
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Parcels only for Shanghai and Japan	2.30 PM
Amoy	7.00 PM
FRIDAY	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C. 1st Jan. 1940.	Fri. 15th G.P.O. & K.P.O. Far. 14th 5.00 PM Reg. 15th 8.15 AM Ord. 15th 10.00 AM
Parcels only for Shanghai and Tientsin.	1.30 PM
Fort Bayard and Holhow.	2.00 PM
Haliphong	
SATURDAY	
Canton	Sat. 16th 7.15 AM
Salgon	10.30 AM
Straits and Calcutta	Parcels Noon
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central & South America and Canada via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada)—due San Francisco, 8th January 1940.	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Far. 15th 5.00 PM Reg. 16th 8.15 AM Ord. 16th 10.00 AM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 24th Dec.	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
SUNDAY	
Amoy	Sun. 17th 9.00 AM
MONDAY	
Shanghai	Mon. 18th 6.30 AM
Salgon, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 14th January 1940.	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 8.45 AM Ord. 9.30 AM
Canton	7.00 PM
Japan	7.00 PM
TUESDAY	
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U. S. A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 25th December.	Tue. 19th K.P.O. Reg. 18th 5.00 PM Ord. 18th 5.30 PM
Fort Bayard and Holhow.	1.30 PM
Amoy and Shanghai	2.30 PM
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